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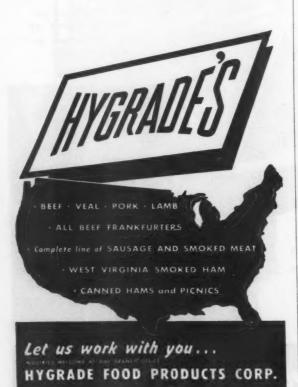


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Happy New Year

As the door opens on the new year, the meat industry can peer in with a little better than hope that 1961 will be a happier period than 1960.

Relish it or not, the prosperity of much of the industry seems to be tied to volume and in 1961 the spring should bring somewhat greater hog marketings and cattle volume is expected to continue high. Cattle and beef values may be extra sensitive and will require watchfulness.

The reality of a business recession cannot be denied, but this will have to be more protracted and deeper than now is expected to have a significant effect on the meat business.

One of the great unknowns, of course, is the governmental environment in which the industry will operate. While there are fewer apprehensions today about "experiments" and radical changes than there were a few weeks ago, we believe meat packers and all other businessmen should expect that their relationships with each other and with the public will be examined more critically than in the past. We expect, for example, that there will be a more exacting administration of the Packers and Stockyards Act, that the pressure for state humane slaughter legislation will increase and that government agendes charged with regulation of business will show less open "friendliness" to the objects of their regulation.

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We hope that we can expect labormanagement conflict to diminish in 1961. The
situation in this area closely parallels that
in the world today; no one wins in the
big strike" anymore than in an atomic war.
As the meat industry grows in 1961 and
the rest of the sixties—to feed an expanding
U. S. population—we hope that small and
large packers will remember that their capital needs will expand also, even though
they only maintain their relative positons in the business.

One way to insure that capital will be milable for expansion and "keeping pace" is b turn in a profitable performance all the time. That job is up to management.

News and Views

Renewed Efforts to keep various segments of the food industry in their own back yards are expected in the 87th Congress, convening January 3. The House small business subcommittee that investigated problems in the food industry during the last Congress, in a majority report made public this week, attacks what it calls the industry's trend toward a "concealed cartel system" and urges strengthening of anti-trust legislation and enforcement to preserve small business. The subcommittee is headed by Rep. James Roosevelt (D-Cal.), who in the 86th Congress introduced legislation that would have barred meat packers of a certain size from retailing and retailers from processing. The majority report recommends a ban on integration of retailing with meat packing or other food processing "where the effect of such integration of functions would be to substantially lessen competition or tend to create monopoly."

In addition to other legislation to strengthen anti-monopoly laws, the majority urges that greater resources be provided for the Packers and Stockyards Division of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, the Federal Trade Commission and the anti-trust division of the Department of Justice and that the agencies be "otherwise encouraged to provide more expeditious and effective enforcement of the anti-monopoly laws entrusted to them." The majority also recommends that the Secretary of Agriculture "utilize to the fullest extent possible experienced career administrators and advisers who are in sympathy with, and have enthusiasm for, vigorous and effective enforcement of the Packers and Stockyards Act."

A minority opinion by the two Republican members of the subcommittee takes strong exception to the majority report. Another move to transfer jurisdiction over packer trade practices from the USDA to the Federal Trade Commission also may take place in the new Congress. The report on regulatory agencies submitted last week to President-elect Kennedy by James M. Landis says an overlap exists between two agencies "with regard to unfair trade practices of persons in the meat packing industry" and adds: "There is no reason why full jurisdiction over the meat packing industry in that respect should not be returned to the Federal Trade Commission."

New Developments in the livestock and meat industry in Canada and the United States will be highlighted during the 41st annual meeting of the Meat Packers Council of Canada on Tuesday and Wednesday, February 7-8, at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto. Ralph Bennett of the Canada Department of Agriculture will discuss livestock developments in that country on Tuesday morning, and Paul Zillman will present a similar analysis of the U.S. situation on Tuesday afternoon. Two panel discussions also are scheduled for Tuesday, one in the morning on beef quality and the other in the afternoon on pork quality. Dr. Marcus Long, department of philosophy, University of Toronto, will be the annual dinner speaker on Tuesday evening. The Wednesday morning session will feature Warren Tauber of Visking Co., division of Union Carbide Corp., Chicago, on new developments in sausage; J. A. Dalve of The E. Kahn's Sons Co., Cincinnati, on low temperature fat separation, and Jim Schneider of Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., on the use of electronic computers.

Net Earnings of John Morrell & Co., Chicago, for the fiscal year ended October 29, 1960, dropped to \$3,560,852, or \$3.17 a share, from \$6,143,237, or \$5.58 a share, in fiscal 1959 but were the second highest in the company's history, president W. W. McCallum reported this week. Sales for the 1960 year were a record-high \$511,792,499, compared with \$436,315,469 in the 1959 period, he said.

EAT IS packaged for four primary reasons: 1) to protect the product from contamination with bacteria and filth, 2) to retard or prevent loss of moisture by the product, 3) to shield the product from oxygen and light and 4) to facilitate handling.

Packaging retail meat probably is the most important type of meat packaging. Both cuts and ground meat are concerned here, including the following categories:
1) canned and 2) otherwise packaged (a) cured, uncooked, (b) cured, cooked or ready to eat, (c) fresh, uncooked and (d) frozen, uncooked. This two-part discussion will be concerned with category 2(c) only—fresh, uncooked meat.

Although it is practiced widely in the supermarket trade of the United States and Canada, prepackaging, as applied to fresh meat, can be said to be only partially successful because in accomplishing the basic purposes of packaging, it has not substantially increased the sal-

Here are Facts On Color Changes In Packaging of Fresh Meat Cuts

Part I of a Two-Part Series by C. Olin Ball Department of Food Science Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J.

able life of meat. The purpose of this discussion is to point out the reasons for the ineffectiveness of packaging in this regard. Because the advantages of retail packaging out-weigh the effects of its deficiencies, the volume of raw meat packaging continues to increase.

The qualities of every retail container must be evaluated carefully during the process of either developing or selecting a container for a specific use. The diversity of these qualities is at a maximum in consumer containers because the inside surfaces of every retail primary container are in contact with the product.

Besides the requirement of compatibility with the meat, which is imposed by this circumstance, there are other exacting requirements to make the package suitable for retail use. To comprehend the significance of the existing situation in respect to centralized packaging of retail raw meat, one must know the nature of these requirements.

PERVIOUS PACKAGES: The dealers' most serious problem in respect to quality deterioration of self-service fresh meat is appearance. This is primarily a color problem. Dehydration is involved because this aggravates the color problem. A packaging material for self-service fresh meat, therefore, besides being non-toxic and mechanically strong, must possess properties that tend to effect the preservation of color without imparting any harmful substance to the meat.

For the first two days after packaging, a permeable type of package seems to be advantageous because, when air has access to the meat through the package, the oxygen tends to retard the loss of the red-pigmented oxymyoglobin on the surface of the meat. For this reason, a film which is permeable to gas, such as cellophane (when wet), pliofilm, polyethylene or cellulose acetate, is usually preferred.

Cellophane commonly is used for three reasons: 1) film packaging of fresh meat was started with cellophane and reasons for changing to another film are not sufficiently conclusive to warrant a change; 2) because of its relative stiffness, cellophane handles more easily in overwrapping than pliofilm, polyethylene or cellulose accetate, and 3) cellophane is readily made moisture resistant by means of coatings without greatly affecting the gas permeability of the wet film.

It has been reported that straight polyethylene film of low gauge (0.5 to 0.8 mil), without coating, performs as well as coated cellophane as a wrapping material for fresh meat. Tests of polyethylene in this application have been in progress since 1957.

According to research findings, steaks packaged in polyethylene 1 mil thick are nearly equal in color to steaks packaged in regular meat cellophane. Those packaged in polyethylene 0.5 mil thick hold their red color longer, and those packaged in polyethylene from 2 to 4 mils thick hold their red color a shorter time than steaks in regular fresh meat cellophane. These findings are related directly to the fact that the thinner a film of polyethylene is, the more permeable it is to oxygen.

Most gas-permeable films essentially react alike a packages for fresh red meat, except as they are affected by variations in the loss of product moisture. In all cases the red color fades gradually and is replaced by gray or brown within about 48 hours after packaging

Moreover, it has been demonstrated repeatedly in the laboratories of the department of food science at Rugers that maintenance of oxygen pressure at a high level (100 to 350 mm. mercury) in contact with the surface of red meat permits a gradual loss of red color to occur. This phenomenon directly contradicts a widely-held belief that when an atmosphere containing oxygen having a pressure of more than 80 mm. mercury is in contact with fresh meat, the bright red pigment, oxymyoglobin, will be maintained on the surface of the meat

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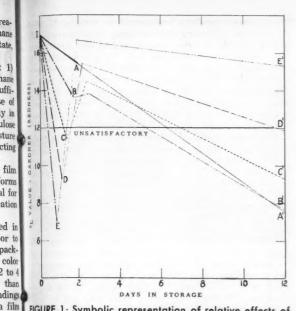
IMPERVIOUS PACKAGES: One way to establish conditions under which meat will have red color after it has been packaged for 48 hours is to use an impermeable container sealed under vacuum.

In impermeable packages or in packages of very low gas permeability, the meat during the first 48 hours after packaging, when held at temperatures between 32° and 40° F., is not so red as that in a highly gaspermeable film. After a period of reduced redness or of almost complete loss of redness, however, a relatively stable red color returns to the meat.

The discovery of a regeneration of red color in meal in the apparent absence of free oxygen came as a surprise because it shattered a widely-held belief that once brown color was produced in packaged meat, the undesirable color was there to stay. That color is developed principally by the formation of a substance called metmyoglobin, which formerly was believed to be a more stable substance than it now appears to be

In a laboratory study of this phenomenon it was found that when oxygen is mixed with air to form the atmosphere in which fresh red meat is stored in an impermable container having headspace of excessive volume under a total absolute pressure equal to that of normal atmosphere (760 mm. mercury), the depth of redness deterioration (or the intensity of brown color developed during the first day) decreases in direct relation to the increase in concentration of oxygen in the atmosphere surrounding the meat.

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FIGURE 1: Symbolic representation of relative effects of color-influencing phenomena on rate of color change in row meat packages, showing relationships in Table 1.

or less progressive decrease in redness, signifying an increase in the amount of brown pigment (metmyoglobin) present, during the first few days of storage. Should there then be a regeneration of redness, the amount of return varies inversely as the initial concentration of oxygen in the container. That is, the higher he initial concentration of free oxygen, the smaller is the amount of redness return.

Thus, both the rate of decrease in redness early in storage and the rate of regeneration of redness later are retarded by increase in original concentration of oxygen in contact with the meat. When headspace is of moderate proportions, an increase in headspace, without a change in the initial oxygen concentration, has an effect similar to that of an increase in initial oxygen concentration without a change in headspace.

When fresh meat is held under vacuum in an impermeable container, the color pattern of the meat, in respect to time, depends upon three factors—the degree of vacuum, the volume of the headspace and the particular color characteristics of the meat.

Under the combination of very high vacuum (28 in. and very small headspace (10 per cent or less of the volume of the container), there is a rapid deterioration of color followed by a rapid return to redness. The depth of the color deterioration increases with increase vacuum and with reduction of headspace until the vacuum reaches a certain maximum and/or the headsuce volume reaches a certain minimum. The locations of these points are interdependent and the combinations which result in the greatest depth of color deterioration are not known, except that they occur when the vacwww is greater than 2 in. and the headspace volume is less than 10 per cent of the total volume of the continer being used.

The amount of color loss also depends on the charteristics of the meat.

EXAMPLE: A symbolic graphical representation of effects of the preceding phenomena on the color of ed meat is given in Figure 1. The curves show the reationship between redness of packaged meat, as rep-

resented by the redness (aL) reading on the Gardner Color and Color Difference Meter, and time in storage. Package and storage conditions represented by the five curves, A, B, C, D and E, are listed in Table 1. The curves are oversimplified in order to show only the relationships which have been discussed. Magnitudes, therefore, are approximate.

For example, three films of equal thickness are used to package adjacent cuts from the same muscle. Film No. 1 has the maximum degree of gas permeability, No. 3 has the minimum degree of gas permeability and No. 2 has a medium degree of gas permeability. All have minimum gas space (headspace) within the package and all packages are stored in air at a temperature of 32° F. Under these conditions, the rate of deterioration of red color in film No. 1 may be presented by curve IA, that of meat in film No. 2 by curve IB and that of meat in film No. 3 by curve IC. These curves are represented as group No. 1 (the first three lines) in Table 1 (see below).

The same three curves similarly represent the rates of deterioration of redness as produced by three values of each of four other variables that are represented by the second, third, fourth and fifth groups, respectively (lines 4 to 15), in Table 1.

The second group represents three thicknesses of polyethylene film (0.5, 1.0 and 2.0 mils) in packages of uniform minimum headspace; the third, three concentrations of oxygen (350, 250 and 150 mm. mercury) in impermeable packages of uniform maximum headspace; the fourth, three arbitrary volumes of headspace (maximum, medium and minimum) in impermeable packages containing a uniform high concentration of oxygen (350 mm. mercury), and the fifth, three different storage temperatures (32°, 39° and 46° F.) with packages of uniform maximum permeability having uniform minimum headspace.

The sixth group (lines 16, 17 and 18) of Table 1 represents three different degrees of vacuum: 0 in. (pressure of oxygen, 150 mm.), 14 in. (pressure of oxygen, 70 mm.) and 28 in. (pressure of oxygen, 10 mm.) in impermeable containers of uniform minimum headspace. Assuming that "minimum permeability" in group No.

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		ability	ness (mils)	Total Os	Total	02	space	(0F.)
1	A	max.	1.0	760 150	760	150	min.	32
	В	med.	1.0	760 150	760	150	min.	32
	С	min.	1.0	760 150	760	150	min.	32
2	A	med.	0.5*	760 150	760	150	min.	32
	В	med.	1.0*	760 150	760	150	min.	32
	C	med.	2.0*	760 150	760	150	min.	32
3	A	0		760 150	760	350	max.	32
	B	0		760 150	760	250	max.	32
	C	0		760 150	760	150	max.	32
4	A	0	1	760 150	760	350	max.	32
	B	0		760 150	760	350	med.	32
	C	0		760 150	760	350	min.	32
5	A	max.	1.0	760 150	50	10	min.	32
	B	max.	1.0	760 150	50	10	min.	39
	C	max.	1.0	760 150	50	10	min.	46
687	c	0		760 150	760	150	min.	32
	D	0		760 150	350	70	min.	32
	E	0		760 150	50	10	min.	32
	D	0		760 150	760	150	min.	39
	E	0	1	760 150	760	150	min.	46

*Polyethylene

TABLE 1: Legend for Figure 1, showing conditions which affect color deterioration rate in packaged raw meat.

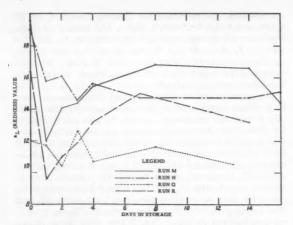


FIGURE 2: Patterns of redness of beef cuts from four different animals, packaged under vacuum of 28 in. in 211 x 011 cans with 10 per cent or less headspace.

1 means essentially an impermeable container, we find that the third line of group No. 1 is the same as the first line of group No. 6; therefore, the latter is represented by curve IC, the curve that represents the third line of group No. 1.

In group No. 6 the meat in the package with the lowest vacuum, represented by the first line of the group, deteriorates in color at the lowest rate. The two packages having higher vacuum, therefore, must be represented by curves showing higher rates of color deterioration than curve IC. These are curves ID and IE, respectively.

Similarly, the meat packaged without vacuum and stored at the two higher temperatures, 39° and 46° F., is represented by curves ID and IE, respectively. Thus, we may say that a seventh group, showing the effects of storage temperature on specimens packed without vacuum, is represented by lines 16, 19 and 20 of Table 1 and is depicted by curves IC, ID and IE in Figure 1 on the preceding page.

COLOR CYCLE AND VACUUM: On the basis of research on systems in which certain conditions produce the greatest depth of color deterioration in the early stage of storage, it is known that when these combinations of increase of vacuum and reduction of headspace volume are exceeded, the depth of quick color deterioration begins to decrease. These observations might lead to the assumption that complete absence of free oxygen in the container, including absence of adsorbed oxygen, would result in no formation of brown color (metmyoglobin).

Such a system has not been produced, either experimentally or otherwise, to our knowledge, and it is possible that oxygen, made available through conversion of oxymyoglobin to reduced (purple-red) myoglobin, would be utilized in the production of some metmyoglobin. Thus, we do not know that redness change in a perfect vacuum would be strictly limited to a conversion of oxymyoglobin to reduced myoglobin.

In laminates of polyethylene the thickness of the polyethylene affects the pattern of redness change, presumably because perviousness increases as thickness decreases.

With each of the five color deterioration curves (IA, IB, IC, ID and IE, Figure 1) is associated a typical pattern of color change. A low rate of color degeneration, IA, during the first two days is followed by more of the same—a continuation of color deterioration at ap-

proximately a uniform low rate as in curve AA'.

A somewhat higher rate of color deterioration, IB, during the first two days usually is followed by a slight regeneration of redness and then by a resumption of color degeneration (see curve BB') at a somewhat lower rate than that of curve AA'. A higher initial rate of color degeneration, IC, is likely to be followed by a substantial redness regeneration and then by a deterioration of redness (curve CC') at a comparatively low rate.

The highest rates of initial deterioration of redness—those occurring in vacuum-sealed impermeable containers having minimum headspace and in non-vacuum-sealed containers of the same type stored at temperatures higher than 32° F. and represented by curves ID and IE—usually show return of red color at rates corresponding to their rates of initial loss of redness and then by periods of several days of comparatively stable red color. See curves DD' and EE', Figure 1.

COLOR HISTORY: It is emphasized that the five curves of Figure 1 are regarded merely as typical of the combinations of conditions which they represent. Taken together, they illustrate a pattern of principles which seem to underlie the color history of packaged raw meat. Although, very often, there may not be resonable agreement between reality and the values taken from the typical curves, the results of extensive studies, nevertheless, justify a conclusion that these curves depict the overall pattern of the phenomena that have been described when beef having a relatively high degree of bloom is packaged.

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The character of the meat itself has a strong influence on the pattern of color change produced. Also, the intermingling of the effects of the various influencing conditions creates very complex combinations of relationships which may be difficult to analyze.

A characteristic of meat sealed in impermeable containers is that, following any consistent and sustained regeneration of redness, there is almost never a substantial loss of redness (see Figure 2). However, when such a container, during a later stage of storage following a substantial return of redness, develops a leak that admits air, the meat will lose redness because of the presence of oxygen admitted by leakage. When vacuum is restored, the red color reappears.

In Figure 2, note the variation in the pattern of color change among loin cuts from different animals when subjected to the same storage conditions.

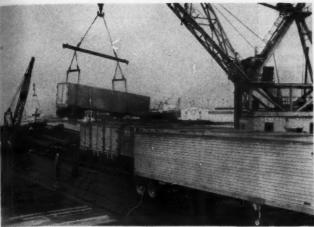
(Next week, in the final section of this two-part series, Dr. Ball will discuss the effects of film properties; factors involved in centralized packaging of meat; sanitation, bacterial spoilage and chemical spoilage; drip and loss of weight, and current practices of centralized meat packaging operations.)

9th Annual Industrial Packaging Course Is Set by Purdue University

The ninth annual two-week Purdue University course in industrial packaging has been scheduled for March 20-31, 1961, on the campus in Lafayette, Ind. The course offers a basic knowledge of containers and packaging materials to executives, purchasing agents, salesmen and others involved in packaging.

Lectures and demonstrations by authorities from the packaging industry and Purdue engineering professors will be coordinated during the course by packaging consultant Charles J. Zusi.

Additional information and registration blanks are available from Mark E. Ocker, who can be contacted at the division of adult education, Memorial Center, Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.



Van-Barge System Prevents Dockside Delays in Shipping Meat to Alaska

ABOVE: Costly standbys and dockside delays are eliminated when freight goes by van. As soon as vans—complete trailers in this instance, rather than cargo vans—are loaded aboard barge, towboat takes over to haul van-laden barge along 2,000-mile "ocean freeway" to Alaska. RIGHT: Barge-load of container vans containing meat and other perishables heads out of Puget Sound for Alaska and delivery to consignees throughout territory which is served by Alaska Freight Lines, Inc.

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RESH MEAT and other perishables are being shipped from the state of Washington to Alaska quickly and efficiently, thanks to a special fast-freight service pioneered by Alaska Freight Lines, Inc. The firm ships pre-loaded refrigerated container vans by barge from Seattle to Anchorage, a trip that covers 2,000 miles of "ocean freeway." The AFL service is called "container van fast-freight cargo." Twice each week in winter and three times a week in summer, Alaska consignees break the seals on container vans that are packed and sealed in the continental United States not more than a week before. The contents are said to be untouched from shipper's warehouse to

Food establishments and military commissaries in Alaska are now receiving packinghouse-fresh meats and other perishables for the first time. Special refrigeration systems in the container vans hold temperatures constant during the entire period of the long sea voyage.

Clark Equipment Co.'s Brown Trailer division, Spokane, Wash., temed up with Alaska Freight to provide the reefer units needed for the pioneering venture.

GAS AND DIESEL: Organized in

1943 at Fairbanks, Alaska, to haul army contract freight over the Alcan highway, AFL was the first concern to truck freight to Alaska and remains the biggest in this field today.

The company created a stir in the Pentagon five years ago when it fulfilled a contract to deliver 500 tons of supplies and equipment overland from Fairbanks to U.S.-Canadian "Dew (Defense Early Warning) Line" radar screen installations on the Arctic Ocean shore, a haul of more than 400 miles. What made the assignment unique was that there were no real roads along most of the way. Company delivery men just "mushed" through the ice and snow.

Out of its Seattle and Alaskan truck terminals, AFL operates a fleet of 60 tractors running on both gasoline and diesel fuel. There is also an assortment of 48 smaller trucks operating out of the company's Tacoma, Wash., terminal to handle the delivery of small mixed orders to the main marshaling point in Seattle for transfer to the big container yans.

The big tractors move the container vans—200 40-ft. units and an equal number of 30-ft. units—on special trailer chassis. The larger vans each carry up to 50,000 lbs. of fresh meat and other products.

Vans are taken to the shipper's warehouse where cargo is loaded. Refrigeration equipment is adjusted to maintain the proper temperature control and the van is sealed. The cargo remains intact and the seal is not removed until the van has been delivered to the consignee's door.

Tractors move the containers to the Seattle loading dock, where a 45-ton crane is used to lift the large containers from their power units and to set them down on 204-ft. barges. Ocean-going towboats haul the loaded barges to Anchorage, Alaska, in summer and to the all-year port of Seward, Alaska, in winter. The sea voyage requires less than five days and is made at least twice each week throughout the entire year.

UNLOADING PROCESS: At the Alaskan port the loading process simply is reversed. Vans are unlocked and lifted down to tractors on the dock. Reefers, which are taken off the barge power supply, are plugged into the tractors' generators. The sealed containers then are hauled to their respective destinations in Seward, Anchorage or Fairbanks, where the seals are broken and the contents unloaded.

Occasionally, some units are landed similarly en route at Valdez,

an intermediate port in Alaska.

Each barge carries 36 container vans stacked two deep. The four boxes nearest the bow and the six sternmost are 30-ft. vans. All the rest are 40-ft. units. As soon as the vans. All vans are designed to carry self-contained generators on the bow of each barge cut in to supply the reefers' refrigeration equipment at 220 volts.

Van cargo capacity alone is 720 tons per barge. In addition, miscellaneous cargo is shipped in the hatches and two passenger automobiles are carried atop each stack of vans. All vans are designed to carry this load, as well as to permit five men to work on top of them during

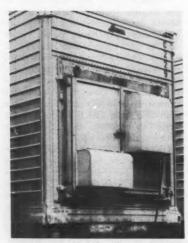
the loading process.

There is a difference between this shipping method and the "fishyback" method of transporting loaded trailer units by ship, although AFL moves cargo by both methods. In "fishyback" shipments, complete trailers—wheels and all—are placed aboard. But for its container van fastfreight cargo service, AFL transfers the container van only, leaving running gear and chassis at dockside to perform other jobs. This method also conserves space afloat and reduces gross shipping weight, it is claimed by the shipper.

Another unique feature of the AFL operation: the trucking firm owns and operates its own seagoing fleet, including the barges and 10

towboats.

DAY-NIGHT SERVICE: AFL maintains complete warehouse, shop, office, pier and loading facilities at Seattle, Tacoma, Anchorage and



PERISHABLES are protected en route to Alaska by specially-equipped reefer containers that maintain carefully - controlled temperatures throughout the long ocean voyage.

TRACTORS are used in Alaska and continental U. S. to speed vans to and from dockside. Rigs are built to cope with rigorous conditions encountered along Alaskan highways. Tractor shown is hauling 40-ft. van riding atop detachable chassis. Note the refrigeration unit.



Seward. It also operates a truck terminal at Fairbanks. Truck and shop facilities in Alaska are prepared to accommodate tractors at all times during the day or night. Where temperatures dip to -40° F., a rig that has stood outdoors overnight would be difficult to start up again in the morning.

In addition to meat and other perishable commodities, cargos often include building supplies, other heavy equipment and household goods for both civilian and military

personnel

Brown Trailer's Spokane plant built 115 of the 40-ft. vans as over-the-road —ani-trailers (complete with running gear, landing gear and king pins, but also equipped with special angles mounted to the body for tie-down attachment) and 150 of the 30-ft. containers.

The 40-ft. units are 12 ft. high. They are insulated with fiberglass 3 in. deep on the sides, ends and ceiling and 2 in. deep in the floor, and are lined with ¼-in. plywood. Flooring is of ¾-in. plywood. A standard opening has been provided in the front end of these units for Thermo King refrigeration equipment.

The 30-ft. units were designed and built to be lifted off a separate chassis and deposited on the deck or within the hold of a barge. They are 8 ft. long and 8 ft. wide and are insulated with fiberglass in the same dimensions as the longer vans—3 in. deep in walls, ends and ceiling and 2 in. deep in the floor.

The fronts of these units are designed to receive special, flushmounted Thermo King units manufactured specifically for this purpose. Containers are equipped with special steel castings at the eight corners, designed for lifting, stacking and tying down the units. Undersides of

the units have special receptacles designed to fit over the bolsters on the chassis.

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Only air freight could match this kind of performance for speed (weather permitting), according to Brown Trailer, and air delivery has been ruled out as economically unsound except in rare circumstances. The Alcan highway is almost 1,000 miles longer than the sea route and is, at best, no turnpike. Ships reportedly will not do the job nearly as well, either.

OTHER ADVANTAGES: The loaded barges draw only 11 to 12 ft of water and are more easily loaded and unloaded than ships. Shelter for cargo is built into the containers themselves, so that a ship's superstructure would serve only as an obstacle to handling operations and would be dead weight in transit Furthermore, an AFL barge convoy is manned by a crew of only 14.

Because the containers remain sealed from the time they leave the shipper's warehouse until they are delivered to the consignee, damage in transit and pilferage are eliminated. Since temperature control is maintained throughout the trip spoilage and other deleterious effects, such as shrinkage of meat, are minimized. These advantages tend to reduce insurance premiums.

There are several other attractive

economic aspects:

1) Costly handling is reduced Only two of these 12 typical piecemeal transfers are required: loading at shipper's warehouse, unloading to dock warehouse, loading to lift boards, unloading to ship's hold loading to lift boards, unloading to lift boards, unloading to lift boards, unloading to freight cass unloading to freight shed, loading to

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MID Raises Moisture Limits, Tightens Check

"NEW" HAM containing up to 10 per cent added moisture, a greater emphasis on quality control, new analytical procedures e those used for cooked sausage determine compliance with the liberalized moisture limits-and, possibly, new arguments to show that no controls are feasible-are in prospect for the New Year in federally inspected plants.

Amended Meat Inspection Regulations scheduled for publication in the December 30 Federal Register, ers on and effective immediately, do away with the old requirement that smoked products may not exceed green weight and set forth the new limits, while Meat Inspection Division Memorandum No. 288, dated December 23, outlines the new procedures for control of added moisture in smoked, cooked and canned

pork products.

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The amendments delete old Sections 17.8(c) (49), 17.8 (c) (54) and 187(n) of the regulations and add a new Section 17.8(e), which reads: "In the preparation of the following cured meat products the following restrictions with respect to the of moisture shall be observed: "1) Smoked hams, smoked pork shoulders, smoked pork shoulder pinics and smoked pork shoulder butts, may not contain more than 10 per cent added moisture. Smoked beef tongues shall not contain added

"2) Cooked cured products such as hams, pork shoulders, pork shoulder picnics, pork shoulder butts, or pork loias, either smoked or unsmoked, prepared with either moist or dry and identified as 'cooked,' fully cooked,' 'thoroughly cooked,' ready to eat' or 'ready to serve shall not contain added moisture.

3) Canned hams, pork shoulpork shoulder picnics, pork shoulder butts and pork loins shall tot contain more than 8 per cent added moisture."

The notice adds: "Implementation of the foregoing changes in the reguations will be accomplished by inpection routines and laboratory anlysis of finished products using enerally the same inspection and apling methods now applied to

Dr. C. H. Pals, director of the

Meat Inspection Division, U. S. Department of Agriculture, told the NP this week that the basis for determining normal moisture content will be four times the protein content. Thus, the permissible level of moisture in smoked ham will be four times protein plus 10 per cent. He said that the MID recognizes the variability of protein in pork and provides for this by tolerances in MID Memo No. 288.

MID MEMO NO. 288: The memorandum reads: "The Meat Inspection Regulations covering certain smoked, cured and cooked and canned pork products have been amended to provide a requirement based on the added moisture content rather than on added substances as in the past. The determination of compliance with the new regulations will be made by chemical analysis and inspection routines and these instructions will provide for uniform and positive control procedures at all official establishments.

"I. Establishment Responsibility: The establishment has the responsibility of preparing products in compliance with the regulations and making available to the inspector such information as is necessary for him to determine that the various ingredients are used in compliance with the Meat Inspection Regulations. It is expected that the establishments will work closely with inspectors in adjusting the method of preparation or amounts of ingredients used in order to comply with the Meat Inspection Regulations. Failure on the part of an establishment to assume its responsibility for complying with requirements may result in retention of product pending analytical results.

"II. Inspector Responsibility: The inspector must have a thorough knowledge of pickle formulation, pumping and curing procedures, smoking, cooking and chilling practices. This knowledge must be adequate to assure that all substances used in the curing process are within the limits provided by the regulations. The inspector will assure himself that all product distributed from the establishment is in compliance with the regulations.

"III. Sampling: In those establish-

ments where the inspector in charge has knowledge that present control procedures are effective, one sample of each class of product will be submitted weekly. If the inspector in charge does not have knowledge that present controls are effective, samples of each class of product will be taken not less than twice weekly in order to evaluate establishment procedures and controls. After sufficient data are received they will be evaluated as the basis for developing further instructions.

IV. Sample: A sample of cured and smoked or cured and cooked product shall consist of a center slice 1 in. in thickness from one ham, one pork shoulder picnic, or a 1-lb. section of one pork shoulder butt. Samples of cured and canned product shall consist of one can. Samples shall be selected at random from the lot being examined. Form MI-422 should bear a notation showing the quantity of gelatin added to canned products. The sample should be placed in a tight plastic bag and forwarded to the appropriate meat inspection laboratory with the request for determination of added moisture.

"V. Interpretation of Results: The laboratory will report percentage of added moisture found without reference to compliance or lack of compliance of the product. Use of the following criteria recognizes differences resulting from analytical variance and practical sampling limitations and assures substantial com-

pliance.

"a) Analytical results of 41/2 per cent added moisture in excess of that permitted—The inspector should require immediate action to reduce the moisture content of the products of the class represented by the sample. Product on hand represented by the sample should be brought into compliance.

"b) Analytical result of 2.1 per cent to 4.4 per cent added moisture in excess of that permitted—The inspector should carefully review all details of the moisture control routines. Changes in procedure need not be required immediately unless the review indicates that the added moisture has been increased due to changes in production procedures. Additional samples of product from

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Improvements at Denver Cudahy Run from Apron

Drying to Batching

PLATFORM scale and dump bucket are moved as a unit down the track between trucks of sausage ingredients. The desired weights of these are added to the dump bucket until the end of the line at which point the bucket is hoisted and emptied.

Sausage manufacturing, hog killing and even apron sanitation received attention in a \$500,000 remodeling program at the Denver plant of The Cudahy Packing Co.

Streamlining the sausage department was made necessary by the successful development and promotion of a premium line of products—the "Bar-S"—in the Denver market. Not only was greater output required, but also an increase in product consistency was desired.

One interesting innovation adopted in the sausage department is a continuous system for batching raw materials. A bottom-drop stainless steel bucket is placed on a platform scale equipped with flanged wheels. The scale and bucket ride on rails for about 14 ft. down the center of the room. The track is flanked by sausage trucks containing the various raw materials. The proper weight of each ingredient is added to the bucket as the scale is stopped momentarily beside each truck.

Ribbon ice from two new stainless steel Scotsman ice machines is fed into the bucket near the end of the "run" and the bucket is then hoisted and dumped into the bowl cutter. It is estimated that the setup has reduced batching time 50 per cent.

Meat is transferred from the cutter to an emulsifying machine and flows from the latter unit into dump buckets to be moved to the stuffers.

Other sausage kitchen improvements include the addition of a stuffer, three peelers and a pre-packaging holding cooler in which finished product is stored on cages.

The apron-dryer installed as a part of new employe locker room facilities at the Denver plant is described as a forward step in good employe relations.

Like many other plants, Cudahy in the past has experienced difficulties from the practice of hanging aprons, unwashed, in locker rooms, closets, etc., where they are bound to become malodorous.

The site is a hallway leading to the new 400-locker employes change room and lunchroom. The aprondryer consists of a multiple-coil heating unit, 10 ft. long by 5 ft. high, mounted on the wall of the corridor, and supplied by low-pressure waste steam from the plant boiler. A handy rod provides space for hanging aprons a foot or so away from the radiator, which, is covered with mesh expanded metal.

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Standard instructions to all employes are to make use of a large basin in the shower room to give their aprons a complete scrubbing at the end of the shift, using some provided for the purpose, then to hang the apron for quick drying during the night. A posted rule prohibits the placing of wet aprons in any locker and points out the advantage of nightly cleaning and quick drying of both plastic and cloth-type aprons.



LEFT: Continuous stuffer is kept filled with bucket loads of material brought from the emulsifying machine. Skinless frankfurts are being stuffed and linked in this picture of one section of the sausage department at the Cudahy Denver plant. RIGHT: New apron dryer has elimin ated one problem found in many meat plants.



Progress on Plants Told At Rath Annual Meeting

Modernization and expansion projects started or completed in recent

months by The Rath Packing Co. "will bear fruit in the years ahead," Howard H. Rath, chairman of the board, told the annual meeting of stockholders in the company's executive offices in Waterloo, Ia. The

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company's highly automated feed mill in Waterloo has begun production, Rath said, adding that the mill increases the "efficiency and capacity of our feed operations."

The chairman reported that construction is moving forward on a new hog slaughtering plant near Columbus Junction, Ia., with completion of the plant scheduled for mid-1961. It will be equipped to handle more than 1,000 hogs a day, with the carcasses to be shipped to the Waterloo plant for processing. The company's new meat processing and distributing plant in Houston, Tex., is due to begin operations next spring. Also scheduled for completion next spring is a \$750,000 modernization of hog slaughtering operations at the Waterloo plant. The project, explained Rath, will increase efficiency considerably and upgrade some of the resulting products.

Commenting on the hog supply outlook for next year, Rath said: "We are hopeful that total pork available in 1961 will be close to last year's level, on balance, but without the drastic fluctuations in hog marketings that occurred the past year." A large supply of cattle is anticipated, he continued, with larger beef saughter in the months ahead considered likely. Slaughter of sheep and lamb also is expected to increase during the 1961 period.

livestock Feeders' Group To Convene Feb. 8-10

Packers and other representatives the livestock-meat industry are mited to attend the annual meeting the National Livestock Feeders Acciation on Wednesday through May, February 8-10, at the Sheramar-Fontenelle Hotel, Omaha, the coup has announced.

the convention will open Wednesafternoon with an industry conence devoted to open discussion any subject pertaining to the





livestock and meat business. Later sessions will include addresses on product improvement, marketing problems, feeding and nutrition, livestock chemicals and feed additives, merchandising, carcass improvement research and other topics.

Truck Council Meeting To Stress Cutting Costs

"Cutting Costs Through Practical Controls" will be the theme of the 22nd annual convention of the Private Truck Council of America, Inc., at the Sheraton Hotel, Dallas, Tex., February 2-3, 1961, according to James D. Mann, managing director of the organization.

A panel discussion will be devoted to gasoline turbine engines, automatic transmissions, multi-viscosity oils and multi-purpose greases, equipment and refrigeration in trailer design and tire development.

Other panels will discuss: "Overlooked Factors in Accident Costs,' "Fuel Expenses—Driver Control," "Insurance-Reducing Costs and Increasing Safety," "Physical Distribu-tion—Industry's Major Area for Cutting Costs" and "Piggyback and Containerization."

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Harvester Co., will speak on "Advantages of Laboratory vs. Road Testing," and Charlies V. Wootan Texas Transportation Institute, Texas A & M College, will talk on "How to Determine Your Costs."

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At its annual corporate meeting which is held as part of the convention proceedings, the truck council's policy will be decided on such matters as highway building programs, increased gasoline taxes, ICC safety regulations affecting private truck operators and legislation.

USDA Suspends 13 Dealers At National Stockyards, Ill.

Thirteen dealers at the St. Louis National Stock Yards, National Stockyards, Ill., have been ordered to cease and desist from buying and selling livestock at false weights, the U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced.

Registration of each of these dealers under the Packers and Stockyards Act has been suspended for varying periods, as follows: Rolla Silvey, 10 days; Charles Furmanek, 30 days; John Grewe (doing business as Atlas Calf Co.), 15 days; James Louvier, 20 days; George E McBride, 30 days; Ellsworth M. Sharp and John W. Glenville (doing business as Sharp & Glenville), 20 days.

Also, Lillian Sundheimer and Malcolm Roche (doing business as Sundheimer Roche & Co.), 30 days; J. N. Simcock and W. J. Herzog (doing business as Simcock & Son), 20 days; Bernard J. Cristel, 10 days; John C. Sanford (doing business as Jack Sanford), 20 days; Paul Coyne, #0 days; Clyde W. Long, 60 days, and John Brombolich, 60 days.

Each of these dealers also was ordered to cease and desist from "knowingly making, or causing to be made, false entries in the accounts, records and memoranda kept by him as a dealer under the Act." Each further was ordered henceforth to "keep accounts, records and memoranda which will fully and correctly disclose all transactions involved in his business as a dealer under the Act."

In addition, six of the dealers were ordered to cease and desist from other practices in violation of the Packers and Stockyards Act.

Copies of the "Decision and Order" on each of the 13 cases P&S Docket Nos. 2262, 2263, 22 2290 through 2297, 2303, and 2307may be obtained from the Packers and Stockyards Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, U. S. Depart ment of Agriculture, Washington 25.

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Reduced material handling costs and increased product protection have been achieved by Rose Packing Co., Inc., Chicago, through adop-



TWO views of container that holds 800 lbs. of loaf-style boiled ham.

tion of a corrugated bulk container for shipping loaf-style boiled ham. Designed and produced by Stone Container Corp., Chicago, the new container holds 800 lbs. of boiled ham as compared with 50-lb. lots in the type of boxes previously employed, according to William Rose, jr., vice president.

Because of the weight involved with each container, every box must be handled with mechanical devices, resulting in a reduction of product damage that frequently occurs with manual handling of the smaller sizes of containers.

In addition to the protective qualities of bulk handling the 100 8-lb. pieces of boiled ham, the container reduces material handling costs both for Rose Packing and its customers, Rose says. The light tare weight of corrugated also provides for shipping cost savings.

Meat Board Schools Are 'Really Cooking' on High

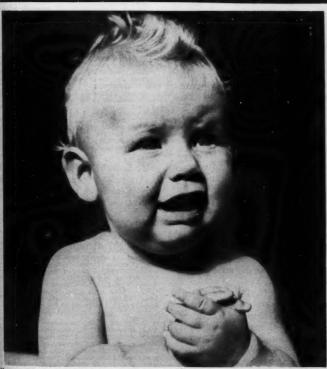
A new record in the number of four-day cooking schools conducted by the National Live Stock and Meat Board is expected to be set in 1960-61. Indications are that more than 75 cooking schools will be held in 30 states during the season, the Meat Board announced. The annual program began in September.

The Board's field staff of home economists will take this year's edition, "Fantasy of Foods," to approximately 300,000 homemakers. The held from September schools, through May, have played an important part in meat education for nearly 30 years. They are sponsored by newspapers and radio stations in the cities where they are conducted.

The latest facts on meat selection, preparation, cookery techniques and kitchen equipment are included in the cooking school program. Each person attending the program receives a colorful "Fantasy of Foods" recipe book, which includes all the school's specialties from "ham turnovers" to "fireside doughnuts." Meat charts of wholesale and retail cuts, cooking time tables, meat carving illustrations and methods of meat cookery also are given.

Annual Packaging Forum

Twelve separate seminars covering a wide variety of packaging subjects and the presentation of annual awards will be highlights of the 23rd annual National Packaging Forum of the Packaging Institute scheduled for October 18-20, 1961, at the Biltmore Hotel, New York City.



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ALL MEAT... output, exports, imports, stocks

Meat Production Down, But Above Last Year

Meat production under federal inspection for the week ended December 24, with the impending holiday tending to slow operations, declined moderately to 420,000,000 lbs. from 427,000,000 lbs. in the previous week. However, with the holiday falling on a working day last year, production for that period amounted to 340,000,000 lbs., or about 24 per cent below last week's volume. Slaughter of all livestock, except hogs, was down and in all instances larger than for the same period of 1959. The traditional peak hog slaughter season is at hand which tended to add to kill last week. Estimated slaughter and meat production by classes for the three periods appear below as follows:

Wook	En	ded			Number	Production			ORK		
					M's	Mil. Ibs.		Number M's	Product		
Dec.	24.	1960			355	213.4		1.330	184.2		
Dec.	17.	1960	********		375	223.1		1,290	180.1		
Dec.	26,	1959			263	160.3		1,187	162.9		
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Week	En	ded				Production		JTTON	MEAT		
					M's	Mil. lbs.	Number M's	Production Mil. Ibs.	PROI		
Dec.	24.	1960			105	11.3	235	11.3	420		
Dec.	17.	1960			115	12.5	240	11.5	427		
Dec.	26,	1959	********		72	8.0	175	8.5	340		
1950-	80 H	ugh	WEEK'S K	ILL:	Cattle, 4	62.118: Hogs	1.859.21	5: Calves.	200,555:	Sheep	8

Lambs, 369,561. WEEK'S KILL: Cattle, 154,814; Hogs, 641,000; Calves, 55,241; Sheep and 1950-60 LOW s, 137,677.

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Week Ended			CAT	TLE		HOGS				
Dec.	24,	1960		1,045	Dressed 601		Live 243	Dressed 138		
Dec.	17, 26,	1960 1960	************	1,035 1,062	595 610		245 241	140 137		
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Week	En	ded			VES		MBS	Per	Mil.	
Dec.	24,	1960		Live 195	Dressed 108	Live 100	Dressed 48	cwt.	41.0	
Dec.	17,	1960 1950		195 197	109	100	48	16.1	39.8 45.9	

Liquid Nitrogen Refrigerant Successful In USDA Tests

Liquid nitrogen was recognized as an excellent means of preserving food more than a hundred years ago. But until recently it was thought to be too expensive for general use, even in today's fleets of trucks, railroad cars or ships. Now, a system using the refrigerant has been developed that seems promising for trucks delivering frozen foods to retail stores, according to a report issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The new system sprays liquid nitrogen at a temperature of -320° F. directly onto the cargo in the truck. By replacing warm air in the truck with cold, dry nitrogen, instead of gradually cooling the air, the system virtually eliminates the required by conventional methods to pull the air temperaure down low enough for frozen foods.

The test was conducted by researchers in the Agricultural Marketing Service with the assistance of the company that developed the

system. The system was installed in one of the trucks of a frozen food distributor, and the delivery runs of the truck on five days were observed during the test.

New Zealand Arranging For Air Meat Shipments To U.S.

The New Zealand Meat Producers' Board has arranged to make trial shipments of meat by air to Hawaii and North America, the Foreign Agricultural Service has revealed. Initial shipments are expected early in 1961. The importance of air shipments is that reduced transportation time will allow meat to be moved the long distance chilled rather than frozen.

Last year the N. Z. government amended the meat export control act to authorize shipment of meat by air. The board has been studying the economic feasibility of shipping meat by air. The carefully planned, small experimental shipments will provide factual information as to cost and condition of meat on arrival at its destination.

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The U.S. Department of Agricul. ture report on meat exports in October showed continuing decline in volume of movement of some fat items. U. S. exports of inedible tallow, which have run considerably above last year, were down from such exports in October, 1959. The October, 1960, outward movement of inedible tallow at 131,465,358 lbs. represented about a 6,000,000-lb. decrease from 137,364,857 lbs. exported in the same month last year. Exports of lard fell to 57,920,318 from 67,844,978 lbs. a year ago.

U. S. exports of meat and meat products in October, 1960-59, are listed below as follows:

Commodity	Pounds	Pounds
EXPORTS (Domestic)—	Oct.	Oct.
Beef and veal-	1960	1959
Fresh or frozen		1300
(except canned)	877,169	674,380
Pickled or cured		
(except canned)	1,769,750	2,261,230
Pork-		1000
Fresh or frozen		
(except canned)	2,971,223	1,502,481
Hams and shoulders,		133
cured or cooked		2,047,155
Bacon	333,268	1,937,676
Pork, pickled, salted of		1398
otherwise cured	1,287,521	1,003,144
Sausage, bologna & fra		1500
furters except canne		201,950
Meat and meat products		
(except canned)	233,423	6,391
Beef and pork livers,		
fresh or frozen	5,510,805	5,068,490
Beef tongues,		77756
fresh or frozen	1,925,070	1,041,370
Variety meats		
(except canned)		
Meat specialties, frozen	466,473	574,391
Canned meats—		
Beef and veal	230,046	442,900
Sausage, bologna and		
frankfurters	131,348	102,550
Hams and shoulders	30,281	61,996
Pork, canned	274,880	343,821
Meat and meat product	я 174,060	357,317
Lamb and mutton		3750
(except canned)	97,024	50,900
Lard (includes rendered		
pork fat)	57,920,318	67,844,978
Shortenings, animal fat		
(excl. lard)	50,160	120,800
Tallow, edible	1,276,878	1,811,964
Tallow, inedible	131,465,358	137,364,001
Inedible animal oils	84,212	313,433
Inedible animal fats	14,018,195	11,079,188

U. S. WEEKLY MEAT IMPORTS

Arrivals of foreign meat at East and West coast ports were reported in lbs. as follows:

NEW YORK, BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA Weeks ended November 25, December 2, 9 and 16, 1960

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From Australia—31,797 carcass lamb as cuts, 1,869,040 beef forequarters, 526,741 bees beef and 1,181,239 boneless mutton. Argastina—414,732 canned beef. Brazil—95,579 canned beef. Canada—75,000 carcass beef and vaisbeef. Canada—76,000 carcass beef and vaisbeef. Holland—512,499 canned pork. Germany—16,690 canned pork. Ireland—3,522,343 bonelss beef. Holland—512,499 canned pork. New Zebland—264,016 lamb cuts, 687,044 bonelss beand, 483,788 boneless veal. Paraguay—76,600 canned beef. Uruguay—19,440 canned beef. WEST COAST PORTS

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Week ended December 16, 1949

Los Angeles: From Mexico—40,000 boneles
beef. New Zealand—55,900 boneless beef. 35,990 boneless beef. 35,990 boneless beef. 35,990 boneless beef. 35,990 boneless beef. 45,000 cannel beef. Holland—46,041 canned pork. Italy—210 cannel
pork, and 2,574 sausage. Norway—960 misselaneous meats. Argentina—54,600 cannel beef.
Denmark—492,506 canned pork. 4,710 missells
neous meats and 10,134 sausage.
Portland: Australia—105,210 frozen beef. Canda—36,000 frozen beef melts and lungs. Das
mark—7,435 cooked ham.

PROCESSED MEATS . . . SUPPLIES

AMI PROVISION STOCKS

Provision stocks as reported to the American Meat Institute totaled 104,200,000 lbs. on December 17. This volume was 30 per cent below the 149,100,000 lbs. a year earlier.

Stocks of lard and rendered pork int totaled 45,100,000 lbs., or 22 per cent below the 57,700,000 lbs. in stock about a year earlier.

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The accompanying table shows stocks in million pounds and how they compared percentage-wise with holdings two weeks previously and a veer earlier.

	Dec. 17	Dec. 3	Dec. 19
	1960	1960	1959
From Pork:	Stocks	Pct.	Pet.
Pienies	3.2	133	82
Hams	10.3	60	75
Bellies	17.0	147	49
Loins	2.7	113	73
Jowls	2.3	153	115
Butts		145	47
Spareribs		119	74
Trimmings		119	58
Livers	3.3	118	50
Other Pork		122	86
Total frozen porl		110	65
Perk-cured, in cur			
D.S. bellies	7.6	133	72
Fat Backs	4.8	112	117
Hams, S.PD.C.	11.0	91	72
Pienies, S.PD.C.	1.6	100	84
Bellies, S.PD.C.		110	83
Other cured, in cu	are 3.1	119	103
Total cured.			
in Cure	35.7	108	81
Tital pork prod	104.2	109	70
Lard and RPF		127	78

United Kingdom Stops Pork mports From S. America

The United Kingdom is banning mports of pork and pork variety meats from Argentina, Chile, Uruguay and Brazil because of recent outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease in the United Kingdom. The ban becomes effective February 1.

Argentina may increase shipments of variety meats to other European countries that are large markets for United States meat products. U.S. pork variety meats are not being shipped to the U.K. because of sanitary controls against hog cholera. U.S. carcass pork is not shipped either, because of sanitary controls and also relatively low U.K. prices.

The U.K. imported 10,600,000 lbs. of pork and pork variety meats from Argentina in 1959. There were no significant shipments from Uruguay or Brazil. Chile normally does not export pork or pork products.

International Poland China Has Loineye Of 7.13 Sq. In.

The champion Poland China barrow of the International Livestock Exposition had a loineye area of 7.13 sq. in., the Patrick Cudahy Packing Co. has revealed.

Shown by Oscar W. Anderson & Sons of Leland, Ill., the barrow had a pork carcass length of 31.2 in. and 1.20 in. of backfat. The barrow dressed 42.9 per cent of its live weight in lean cuts compared with the average of the standard hog at about 33 per cent. It yielded 47 lbs. of ham, 31 lbs. of loin, 18.5 lbs. of picnic and 13 lbs. of Boston butt.

It was the second year in succession the champion Poland china of the show cut better than seven square inches of lioneye muscle. Last year's champion barrow had a loineye area of 7.03 sq. in.

The grand champion pork carcass of the show had a loineye area of only 5.76 sq. in., small by comparison. It was from a cross-breed.

Plans To End Retention Tax

The Argentina government is contemplating removal of the 10 per cent retention tax on meat exports in order to stimulate outshipments. The tax on variety meats will most likely be removed first then that on carcass meats. Final decisions have not been made because elimination of the retentions will increase domestic prices. Argentine exports of variety meats compete with such U.S. exports to Western Europe.

CALIFORNIA STATE INSPECTED SLAUGHTER

State inspected slaughter of livestock in California, November, 1960-59, as reported to THE PROVISIONER:

	November-
	1960 1959
Cattle, head	37,896 29,355
Calves, head	18,859 14,408
Hogs, head	15,337 16,516
Sheep, head	43,709 33,946

Meat and lard production for November, 1960-59 (in lbs.), were:

Sausage	8,926,927	7,359,333
Pork and beef	11,892,334	9,009,563
Lard, substitutes	1,471,426	927,159
Totals	22,290,687	17,296,055
As of November 30,	1960, Californ	nia had 125
meat inspectors. Plant	ts under state	inspection
totaled 366 and plant	ts under stat	e approved
municipal inspection r	numbered 50.	

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	in 1-lb. package5	5	@	61	
ı	limits, sheep casing,				
ı	h l-lb. package6	1	@	68	
ı	Franks, skinless4	6	@	51	
ı	Bologna, ring, bulk4	81/2	@	56	
П	Belegna, a.c., bulk3	В	@	41	
ı	Smoked liver, a.c., bulk 3	6	@	45	
ı	foliak sausage, self-				
l	service pack	1	@	72	
	moked liver, n.c., bulk 5	2	@	57	
1	New Eng. lunch spec 6	3	@	69	
i	ouve loaf, bulk4	716	@	53	
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Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1960	
Hams, to-be-cooked, 14/16, wrapped	(av.) 52
Hams, fully cooked, 14/16, wrapped	53
16/18, wrapped	50
16/18, wrapped Bacon, fancy, de-rind,	51
8/10 lbs., wrapped Bacon, fancy sq. cut. seed-	45
less, 10/12 lbs., wrapped Bacon, No. 1, sliced 1-lb.	42
head seal, self-service, pkg.	53

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reray maga,		
	Whole	Ground
Allspice, prime	86	96
resifted	99	1.01
Chili pepper		58
Chili powder		58
Cloves, Zanzibar	60	65
Ginger, Jamaica	45	50
Mace, fancy Banda	3.50	3.90
East Indies		2.90
Mustard flour, fancy		43
No. 1		38
West Indies nutmes		1.80
Paprika, American,		
No. 1		35
Paprika, Spanish,		-
No. 1		80
Cayenne pepper		63
Pepper:		
Red, No. 1		58
Black		65
White		94

SAUSAGE CASINGS

(Lcl prices quoted to manufacturers of sausage)

Beef rounds: Clear, 29/35 mm Clear, 35/38 mm Clear, 35/40 mm Clear, 38/40 mm Not clear, 40 mm./up Not clear, 40 mm./dn	1.20@1.45 1.30@1.65
Beef weasands: No. 1, 24 in./up No. 1, 22 in./up	(Each) 15@ 18 16@ 18
Beef middles: Ex. wide, 2½ in./up Spec. wide, 2½-2½ in. Spec. med. 1½-2½ in. Narrow, 1½-in./dn	1.85@1.95
	34@ 38 21@ 23 15@ 17
Beef bladders, saited: 7½ inch/up, inflated 6½-7½ inch, inflated 5½-6½ inch, inflated	(Each) 23 15 15
Pork casings: 29 mm./down 29/32 mm. 32/35 mm. 35/38 mm. 38/42 mm.	4.75@5.10 4.75@6.00 3.25@4.75 2.60@3.75
Hog bungs: Sow, 34 inch cut Export, 34 in. cut Large prime, 34 in. Med. prime, 34 in. Small prime, 34 in. Middles, cap off Skip bungs	59@61 44@46 32@34 16@19 72@74

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Pure refined gran. nitrate '	
of soda, f.o.b. N.Y	
Pure refined powdered nitrat	e
of soda, f.o.b. N.Y	10.95
Salt, paper-sacked, f.o.b.	
Chgo. gran. carlots, ton	30.50
Rock salt in 100-lb. bags, f.o.b. whse., Chgo.	99 50
Sugar:	26.00
f.o.b. spot, N.Y.	6.45
Refined standard cane	0.40
gran., delv'd. Chgo	9.467
Packers curing sugar, 100-	
lb. bags, f.o.b. Reserve,	
La., less 2%	8.80
Dextrose, regular:	
Cerelose, (carlots, cwt.)	7.62
Ex-warehouse, Chicago	7.77
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SEEDS AND HERBS

(Lel., 1b.)	Whole Ground
Caraway seed	30 35
Cominos seed	39 40
Mustard seed	
fancy	20
yellow Amer	
Oregano	37 46
Coriander,	
Morocco, No. 1	33 38
Marjoram, French .	54 63
Sage, Dalmatian,	

FRESH MEATS... Chicago and outside

(lb.) 33 28½ 18¼n 20¾n 25¼n

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Prime: (Ib.) Pr. loins, 59/70 (lel) . 75 @ 96 Sq. chux, 70/90 . 38½ @ 40n Armchux, 80/110 . 36 @ 37 Ribs, 22/35 (lel) . 65 @ 68 Briskets, (lel) . 30 @ 30½ Navels, No. 1 . 16½ @ 17½ Flanks, rough No. 1 . 16½ Choice: Hindgirs., 5/700 . 50 @ 50½ Houds, 70/90 lbs. 51 @ 51½ Rounds, 70/90 lbs. 51 @ 51½ Tr. loins, 50/70 (lel) 67 @ 75 Sq. chux, 70/90 . 38½ @ 40n Armchux, 80/110 . 36 @ 37 Ribs, 25/30 (lel) . 64 @ 65 Briskets, (lel) . 30 @ 30½ Flanks, rough No. 1 . 16½ @ 17½ Flanks, rough No. 1 . 16½ @ 17½ Flanks, rough No. 1 . 16½ @ 17½ Flanks, rough No. 1 . 16½	Beef to corr	FANCY ME	
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lood (all wts):	85/5	35%, barrels	36
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Rounds	bar	rels	41
Sq. chucks	Beef	cheek meat.	
Ribs	trin	head meat, bbls.	. 32n
Ribs	Beef		. 28n
	Veal	trimmings, eless, barrels	
COW BIHL TRUBENIA			
COW, BULL TENDERLOINS		VEAL SKIN	
C&C grade, fresh (Job lots, lb.) Cow, 3 lbs./down 60 @ 65 Cow, 3/4 lbs. 65 @ 70 Cow, 4/5 lbs. 72 @ 78 Cow, 5 lbs./up 88 @ 95		(Carcass prices,	lel., lb.)
cow, 3/4 lbs 65@ 70	Prime	90/120	55@56
Cow, 4/5 lbs 72@ 78	Prime	00/100	54@56
Cow, 5 lbs./up 88@ 95 Bull, 5 lbs./up 88@ 95	Choic	e, 90/120	54@56
Dull, 5 lbs./up 88@ 95	Choic	e, 90/120 e, 120/150 , 90/150	49.0.51
	Good	nordal 00/100	40@49
CARGAGO ALLE	TIME	nercial, 90/190 . y, 90/190	28@30
CARCASS LAMB			
Prime, 35/45 lbs. 38 @40 Prime, 45/55 lbs. 37 @40 Prime, 55/65 lbs. 35 @38 Choice, 35/45 lbs. 38 @40 Choice, 45/55 lbs. 37 @40 Choice, 45/55 lbs. 37 @40 Choice, 45/55 lbs. 37 @40 Choice, 55/65 lbs. 35 @38 Good, all wts. 34 @38½			
Prime, 45/55 lbs38 @40		BEEF HAM	2512
Prime, 55/65 lbs. 25 022	Incid	es. 12/up. 1h	501/6 @ 51
Choice, 35/45 lbs. 38 @40	Outsi	des, 8/up, 1b.	491/2 @ 50
Choice, 45/55 lbs 37 @40	Knuc	es, 12/up, lb des, 8/up, lb kles, 7½/up, lb.	50 @ 501/6
Choice, 55/65 lbs35 @38	-		
Good, all wts34 @381/2	n-nor	ninal, b-bid, a-as	iked
PACIFIC COAST WH			
FRESH REFE (Canada)	0.00	San Francisco	
FRESH BEEF (Carcass) Dec.	21	Dec. 27	Dec. 27
Choice, 5-600 lbs\$41.506	@43.00	\$40.50@43.00	\$41.50@44.00
Good 5 600 1bs 40.75	@42.00	40.00@41.00	41.00@43.00
Good 6-700 lbs 39.006	@41.00	39.00@40.00	40.00@42.50
Choice, 5-600 lbs. \$41.506 Choice, 6-700 lbs. 40.756 Good, 5-600 lbs. 39.000 Good, 6-700 lbs. 37.506 Stand., 3-600 lbs. 37.006	@ 39.50	39.00@40.00	39.00@41.50
37.00 (@ 39.00	38.00@40.00	36.50@39.00
COW-	@ 94 00		22 50 6 27 00
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CHICAGO

Dec. 27, 1960

BEEF PRODUCTS

CARCASS BEEF

NEW YORK

28, 1960

Dec. 2	8, 1960
CARCASS BEEF AND CUTS	FANCY MEA
Prime steer: (Icl., lb.) Hinds., 6/70054 @60 Hinds., 7/80053½ @59 Rounds, cut across. flank off53½ @59 Rds., dia. bone, f.o.b., 54 @59 Short loins, untrim77 @90 Short loins, trim105 @139 Flanks17 @21 Rbs64 @72	Clei., ib.) Veal breads, 6/12-oz 12-oz./up Beef livers, selected Beef livers, selected Oxtails, %-lb., frozen VEAL SKIN-C (Carcass prices, lcl Prime, 90/120
Arm chucks	Prime, 120/150 Choice, 90/120 Choice, 120/150
Choice steer: Carcass, 6/700	Good, 60/90
Rounds, cut across, flank off 53 @58 Rds., dla. bone, f.o. 54 @58 Short loins, untrim. 62 @70 Short loins, trim. 82 @104 Flanks 17 @21 Ribs 82 @66	Prime, 35/45 Prime, 45/55 Prime, 55/65 Choice, 35/45 Choice, 45/55

PHILA. FRESH MEATS

Good steer:

		Veal breads, 0/12-02
54		12-oz./up
531/	@59	12-oz./up
		Reef kidneys 9
531/	@59	Oxtails, %-lb., frozen2
54	@59	Oxenia, 74 101) III
77	@ 90	VEAL SKIN-OFF
105	@139	APME OWING-OIL
17	@ 21	(Careass prices, lcl., lb.)
64	@72	Prime, 90/12057 @61
381/	@43	Prime, 120/15056 @66
34	@40	Choice, 90/12050 @55
.1744	@ 23	Choice, 120/15048 @54
, .	0.00	Good, 60/9041 045
		Good, 90/12043 @47
45	@47	Good, 120/15041 @45
441/		Choice calf, all wts40 @42
44	@45	Good calf, all wts39 @42
53		Good care, and more
52	@ 57	CARCASS LAMB
53	@ 58	Gel., h)
54	@ 58	
62	@70	Prime, 45/5537 @43
82	@ 104	Prime, 55/65361/2@41
17	@21	Choice, 35/4538 @44
62	@66	Choice, 45/5537 @42
38	@42	Choice, 55/6536 @40
33	@39	Good, 35/4536 @42
17	@ 22	Good, 45/55
		Good, 55/6534 @41
		(Carlets, lb.)
		Choice, 35/4536 @41
42	@ 431/2	Choice, 45/5535 @40

Choice	, 45/55			35	66.40
Choice	, 55/65			34	638
	CAR	CASS	6 B	EEF	
	(Ca	riets,	16.)	
Steer.	choice,	6/700		44	@ 451/2
Steer.	choice.	7/800		44	便相動
Steer.	choice.	8/900		43	(6.42)
Steer.	good, 6	700		413	2642
Steer.	good, 7	/800		413	2 (43
Steer,	good,	8/900		40	@41

241/2 231/2 21b 21n

FANCY MEATS

Dec. 27, 1960	
PRIME STEER: (1e Carcass, 5/700	@57 @60 ne qtd. @74 @41
CHOICE STEER: Carcass, 5/700 46 Carcass, 7/900 44 Rounds, flank off 54 Loins, full, untr., 52 Loins, full, trln 68 Ribs, 7-bone 63 Armchux, 5-bone 32	@ 47½ @ 46½ @ 56 @ 54 @ 70 @ 66 @ 41 @ 36
GOOD STEER: Carcass, 5/700 43½ Carcass, 7/900 43 Rounds, flull, untr. 95 Loins, full, trim. 65 Ribs, 7-bone 56 Armchux, 5-bone 38 Briskets, 5-bone 32	@ 45½ @ 45 @ 54 @ 52 @ 67 @ 60 @ 40 @ 36
COW CARCASS: Comm'l. 350/70030 Utility 350/70030 Can-cut 350/70029 VEAL CARC.: Choice 60/90 lbsNone 90/120 lbs51@55 120/150 lbs51@55	@ 33 @ 32½ @ 32 Good 45@47 46@49

120/150 lbs51@55 4	6@49 6@49
AMB CARC.: Ch.& Pr. 35/45 lbs	Good
45/55 lbs38@41 3	6@40 4@37
50,00 100 100	
CHGO. PORK SAUSA MATERIALS—FRESH	
ork trimmings: (Job	lots)
40% lean, barrels	17 19
40% lean, barrels 50% lean, barrels 80% lean, barrels	17 19 31
40% lean, barrels 50% lean, barrels 80% lean, barrels 95% lean, barrels ork head meat	17 19 31 39
40% lean, barrels 50% lean, barrels 80% lean, barrels 95% lean, barrels	17 19 31 39 29

oins, oins, ostor	reg. But	8/12/ 12/	16 .	45	84
oins, ostor	reg. But	12/	16 .	94	- 61
oins, ostor	reg. But	12/	16 .	94	- 61
arer	ibs.	ts 4	1/8 .		
arer	ibs.				61
ame.		2-10	dn	37	6.1
	skno	1., 10	0/12	n	one
ams,	skne	d., 1	12/14	46	81
ienie	s, S.	S. 4	4/6 .	26	(0:1
ienie	s. S.	S. 6	8/8 .	241	46
ellies	. 10	14		26	(H)
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oins.	reg.	. 8/	12	45	8
oins.	reg.	. 12	/16 .	43	1
ams.	elen	d., 1	12/16	46	- 61
ostor	hut.	\$40. d	4/8	38	- 68
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CHGO. FRESH PORK	AN
PORK PRODUCTS	
Dec. 27, 1960	-
Hams, skinned, 10/12	48
Hams, skinned, 12/14	46
Hams, skinned, 14/16	43
Picnics, 4/6 lbs	25
Picnics, 6/8 lbs	24
Pork loins, boneless	30
Shoulders, 16/dn	30
(Job lots, lb.)	
Pork livers	19
Tenderloins, fresh, 10's 72	@ 75
Neck bones, bbls 9	@ TA
Feet, s.c., bbls 9	@10

UMA	na,	DELAA	44	NACHOUSE.
	Carcas	s carlo	ts,	cwt.)
0	maha,	Dec.	28,	1960
Choice	steer,	6/700		\$42.55 40.75.041.55
Choice	steer,	7/800		30 756 46.5
Choice	heifer,	5/700		40.25@40.75

Good heifer, 5/700	38.00@ 30.50
Cow, c-c & util	20.00 0 40 00
FUIR IUIIIA, U. IL	33.50
77 slow d 10/16	A1.00@85#
Hams, sknd., 12/16	471600
00	1060
Denver, Dec. 28. Choice steer, 6/700	1800
Choice steer, 6/100	44 00 @ 41 50
Choice steer, 7/800	
CHOICE BECCE, 17000	40.00
Choice steer, 8/900	41.00
Good steer, 6/800	
Good steer, 0/000	40.25@40.50
Chales balter E/700	40.25@##

PORK AND LARD ... Chicago and outside

CHICAGO PROVISION MARKETS

From the National Provisioner Daily Market Service CASH PRICES

(Carlot basis, Chicago price zone, Dec. 28, 1960)

SKINNED HAMS	BELLIES
FF.A. or fresh Frozen	F.F.A. or fresh Frozen
7a	321/4 6/8321/4
5%	33a 8/1033n
#	281/2 10/12 281/2
38/2 16/18	281/2@29 12/14 281/2@29
361/4	261/2@27 14/16 261/2
£	251/4 16/18 251/4
Sa	231/2 18/20
\$	
334	D.S. BRANDED BELLIES (CURED)
314 25/up, 2s in3114	n.q 20/25
- TI	n.q 25/30
PICNICS	G.A. froz., fresh D.S. clear
F.F.A. or fresh Frozen	18 20 '25
	18 25/30
311/2	16½ 30/3516n
231/2 6/8	15½ 35/40
11b	13 40/50
%	

PICNICS		G.A. Iroz., Iresh	
FF.A. or fresh 1445	Frozen	18 20 21 18 25/30 16½ 30/31 15½ 35/40 13 40/50	
31/4 F.F.A. 8/up 2'		FAT BAC	KS
2% fresh 8/up 2's	inn.q.	Frozen or fresh	Cured
FRESH PORK		7½n 6/8 7½n 8/1	
Job Lot		10½n 10/15	
4 Loins, 12/dn		11n 12/1	
41% @ 42. Loins, 12/16	401/2	12n 14/1	6
3 Loins, 16/20 2 Loins, 20/up		13n 16/1	8141/2
3%@37. Butts, 4/8	341/2	13n 18/2 13n 20/2	$5 \dots 14\frac{1}{2}$
3%@31. Butts, 8/12 3%@31. Butts, 8/up	29	OTHER CELLA	
M Ribs 3/dn	351/2	Frozen or fresh	Cured
# Ribs, 3/5 Ribs 5/up .		14¾ Sq. Jowls, 11½ Jowl Butts	
saited, b-bid, n-nomin	nal	12 Jowl Butt	

LARD FUTURES PRICES

lb.)
7 @61
6 @60
0 @56
8 @54
1 @45

IB

36 35 34

F

14 @45½ 14 @44½ 13 @45½ 11½ @45 11½ @45 40 @41

Pork

K AND

72 @75 9 @10 9 @18

MEATS

\$42.5 40.75@41.5 39.75@40.5 40.25@40.7 38.00@38.5 28.00@38.0 42.00@45.00

1960 42.00@42.50 41.00@41.50 40.00 40.00 40.25@40.50

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(Drum contract basis) FRIDAY, DEC. 23, 1960

	Oyen	High.	Low	Cless
Jan. Mar.	10.60	10.60	10.60	10.50b 10.60
Kay	10.77	10.80	10.77	10.80a
July	10.70	10.70 000 lbs.	10.70	19.70

Open interest at close, Thurs., Dec. 22: Dec., 49; Jan., 134; Mar., Ill; May, 83, and July, 4 lots.

MONDAY, DEC. 26, 1960

listiday, Board of Trade closed No trading in lard futures

TUESDAY, DEC. 27, 1960

Jan.	10.52	10.52	10.52	10.52
Mar.	10.65	10.67	10.60	10.60
Xay	10.80	10.80	10.80	10.80
July	***			10.70b
Sale	en: 400,	000 lbs.		
Ope	en inte	erest at	close.	Fri.

Dec. 23: Dec., 49; Jan., 134; Mar., 113; May 85, and July, 7 lots.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28, 1960

Mar. 10.50 May .10.62 May .10.80	10.50 10.62 10.80	10.50 10.57 10.80	10.50 10.57b 10.80
Sales: 520,6			10.70n
Open inte Dec. 27: Dec lik May, 87	rest at	an 134	· Mar

THURSDAY, DEC. 29, 1960

Jan.	10.47	10.50	10.47	10.47b
May	10.87	10.87	10.80	10.62a 10.82b
luly				10.77a

iles: 520,000 lbs. Open interest at close, Wed., bc. 28: Dec., 49; Jan., 130; Mar., lt May, 84, and July, 7 lots.

CHICAGO LARD STOCKS

Stocks of drummed lard in Chicago were reported in pounds by the Board of Trade, as follows:

	Dec. 23 1960	Dec. 26 1959
P.S. lard (a)	2,406,119	880,000
P.S. lard (b)	860,651	401,157
D.R. lard (a)	1,243,799	920.000
D.R. lard (b)		
TOTAL LARD	4,831,204	5,100,680
(a) Made since	October 1	1960.
(b) Made previ	ous to Oct	. 1, 1960.

SLICED BACON

Sliced bacon production for the week ended December 10, amounted to 20,954,216 lbs., according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Meats At 5-Mo. High

Meat prices for the week ended December 13 averaged their highest in about five months, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics wholesale price index. The average wholesale price index on meats at 97.8 was up from 97.5 for the previous week and compared with the last previous high of 98.3 established in July. Meanwhile, the average primary market price index held steady at 119.5. The same indexes a year ago were 88.0 and 118.9 respectively.

MARGINS ON LIGHTER HOGS DIP SHARPLY

(Chicago costs, credits and realizations for Tuesday)

Markdowns on pork in the face of a rising live market swept cut-out margins deeper into negative positions. The cut-backs, most severe on light hogs, hit the two heavier classes with less impact. Margins on heavies were barely changed from last week as costs and realizations held fairly steady

izations nera rainly	sica	uy.				
	—180-220 lbs.— Value		—220-240 lbs.— Value		—240-270 lbs.— Value	
	per cwt. alive	per cwt. fin. yield	per cwt. alive	per cwt. fin. yield	per cwt. alive	per cwt. fin. yield
	5.07 2.06	\$18.24 7.24 2.95	\$11.67 5.14 1.88	\$16.30 7.06 2.67	\$10.62 4.50 1.79	6.20
Cost of hogs 1 Condemnation loss Handling, overhead	.08 2.64		17.75 .08 2.40		17.00 .08 2.18	
TOTAL COST 2 TOTAL VALUE 1 Cutting margin Margin last week	-1.05	29.95 28.43 —1.52 —,90	20.25 18.69 1.53 1.16	28.29 26.03 2.26 1.66	19.26 16.91 —2.35 —2.32	23.49 3.26

PACIFIC COAST WHOLESALE LARD PRICES

	Los Angeles Dec. 27	San Francisco Dec. 27	No. Portland Dec. 27
1-lb. cartons	. 15.00@16.25	16.00@18.00	14.50@18.50
50-lb. cartons & cans		16.00@17.00	None quoted
Tierces		15.00@16.00	13.50@15.50

PACKERS' WHOLESALE LARD PRICES

Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1960 Refined lard, drums, f.o.b.\$13.12 Refined lard, 50-lb. fiber cubes, f.o.b. Chicago 13.62 Kettle rendered, 50-lb. tins, f.o.b. Chicago 14.12 Leaf, kettle rendered, drums, f.o.b. Chicago 14.12 Lard flakes 13.87 Standard shortening, North & South, delivered . 19.50 Hydrogenated shortening, N. & S., drums, del'vd. . . 19.75

WEEK'S LARD PRICES

	P.S. or D.R. cash		50-lb.
	tierces		
	(Bd. Trd.)	Trd.)	Mkt.
	2310.20n		12.00n
	26 10.20n		
	2710.20n		
	28 10.20n		
Dec.	2910.20n	9.25	11.75n
	te: add 1/2¢ to		prices

n-nominal, a-asked, b-bid

HOG-CORN RATIOS COMPARED

The hog-corn ratio based on barrows and gilts at Chicago for the week ended Dec. 24, 1960, was 17.0, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has reported. This ratio compared with the 17.0 ratio for the preceding week and 10.5 a year ago. These ratios were calculated on the basis of No. 3 yellow corn selling at \$1.036, \$1.012 and \$1.110 per bu. during the three periods, respectively.

VEGETABLE OILS

Wednesay, Dec. 28, 1960 Peanut off.
f.o.b. mills
Cottonseed foots:
Midwest, West Coast 13 East Soybean foots: midwest 154

ORGANISM AND ADDRESS OF	
Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1960	
White dom. veg., solids, 30-lb, cartons	231/4
Yellow quarters, 30-lb. cartons	251/4
Milk churned pastry, 750-lb. lots, 30's	251/2
Water churned pastry, 750-lb, lots, 30's	241/
Bakers, drums, tons 181/4 @	20

OLEO OILS

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Prime	oleo	ster	rine,	441/
Extra	oleo	oil	(drums) (drums)	111/4 15% 151/4

N. Y. COTTONSEED OIL CLOSINGS

Closing cottonseed oil futures in New York were as follows:
Dec. 23—Mar., 12.29; May,12.30; July, 12.31; Sept., 12.16; Oct., 12.05, and Dec., 11.90b-12.00a.
Dec. 26—Holiday, no trading in cottonseed oil futures.
Dec. 27—Mar., 12.32; May, 12.38; July 12.38; Sept., 12.189; Oct., 12.09, and Dec., 11.95b-12.05a.
Dec. 28—Mar., 12.32 May, 12.39-38; July, 12.38-39; Sept., 12.19b-25s; Oct., 12.09b-11a, and Dec., 11.90b-12.05a.
Dec. 29—Mar., 12.37-39; May,

12.05a.
Dec. 29—Mar., 12.37-39; May, 12.49-48; July, 12.50-49; Sept., 12.28b; Oct., 12.21, and Dec., 11.97b-12.09a. a-asked, b-bid.

BY-PRODUCTS ... FATS AND OILS

BY-PRODUCTS MARKET

(F.O.B. Chicago, unless otherwise indicated) Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1960 BLOOD

ammonia, bulk	4.75@	5.00n
DIGESTER FEED TANKAGE M.	ATERIA	LS
Wet rendered, unground, loose Low test	4.75@	5.00n

		PACK	INGHOU	SE FEE		
50%	meat.	bone	scraps,	bagged	Carlots, \$77.50@	
					. 75.00@	
60%	digeste	er tan	kage, b	agged .	. 77.50@	80.00
60%	digest	er tan	kage, b	ulk	. 75.00@	77.50
			bagge.			115.00
(sp	ecially	prep	ared) .		. 85 00 @	92.50

FERTILIZER MATERIALS

Feath	er tar	kage,	gro	und,		
				(85%)		3.75 6.75
					16.50@	

DRY RENDERED TANKAGE	
Low test, per unit protein 1.30@	1.40n 1.35n
High test, per unit prot	1.25n

		LATIN						
Bone s	tock,	(gelat	in),	ton				14.50
Jaws,	feet	(non-ge	el),	ton		 	1.50@	3.50
Trim t	one,	ton .			 		3.50 @	7.50
Pigakin	s (ge	elatin),	lb.		 	 	71/4@	71/2
Pigskin	S. SI	moked.	ed	ible			16@	181/2

ANIMAL HAIR		
Winter coil, dried, c.a.f. mideast, ton	80.00@	85.00
Winter coil, dried, midwest, ton		
Cattle switches, piece		
gray, lb	15@	20
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TALLOWS and GREASES

Wednesday, Dec. 28, 196

The inedible tallow and grease market maintained its firm undertone late last week, and some trading was consummated at steady to fractionally higher prices. Bleachable fancy tallow sold at 5%¢, special tallow at 5¢, and yellow grease at 41/2¢, all c.a.f. Chicago. Choice white grease, all hog, was bid at 71/2¢, c.a.f. Chicago, and at 81/2¢, c.a.f. New York. Bleachable fancy tallow was sought at 61/4@63/8¢, delivered East, and some indications of 61/2¢ were reported in the market on the high titre stock. Edible tallow was bid at 81/2¢, f.o.b. River, and offered at the same price f.o.b. Denver.

Users of inedible fats were willing to pay the last traded levels for certain materials, but again producers asked fractionally higher prices on the limited supply. Bleachable fancy tallow was bid at 5%¢, special tallow at 5¢, No. 1 tallow and yellow grease at 41/2¢, all c.a.f. Chicago. Some choice white grease, all hog, traded at 85%¢, c.a.f. New Orleans and for quick shipment; continued inquiry was apparent at 81/2¢, cai New York, and at 71/2¢, c.a.f. Chicago. Edible tallow was available at 9¢, c.a.f. Chicago, and indications of 87/8¢ were reported in the market, B1/4¢; Edible tallow was bid at 81/2@85% f.o.b. River, and price depending on point. It was reported that some No. 1 tallow and yellow grease sold at 41/2¢, c.a.f. Chicago. Prime tallow was bid at 51/4¢, c.a.f. Chicago.

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At midweek, choice white grease, all hog, traded at 85%¢, delivered New York, and it was reported that high titre bleachable fancy tallow sold at 61/2¢, also c.a.f. New York Bleachable fancy tallow was sought at 55%¢, c.a.f. Chicago, but offered 1/8¢ higher. Other materials also reported sought at the last traded levels; however, producers were persistent in asking higher prices.

Edible tallow was available at 9/, c.a.f. Chicago, and it was bid at 83/4@87/8¢, quality of stock considered. Edible tallow was also available at 81/2¢, f.o.b. Denver, with bids 1/8@1/4¢ lower. Some users still talked 81/2@85/8¢, f.o.b. Denver on edible tallow, and again type of



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stock considered. Yellow grease sold at 41/2¢, c.a.f. Chicago. Regular bleachable fancy tallow was bid at 644, and some indications of 1/86 higher were heard, c.a.f. New York.

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TALLOWS: Wednesday's quotations: edible tallow, 81/2@85/8¢, f.o.b. River, and 8%@9¢, Chicago basis; original fancy tallow, 51/8¢; bleachable fancy tallow, 55/8¢; prime tallow, 285/4; special tallow, 5¢; No. 1 tallow, 41/2¢, and No. 2 tallow, 4¢.

GREASES: Wednesday's quotations: choice white grease, all hog, 74/26; B-white grease, 56; yellow grease, 41/2¢, and house grease, 41/4¢.

EASTERN BY-PRODUCTS

New York, Dec. 28, 1960 Dried blood was quoted today at \$4.25 per unit of ammonia. Wet rendered tankage was listed at \$4.75@5 per unit of ammonia and dry renlered tankage was quoted at \$1.15 traded per protein unit.

U.S. Jan.-Sept. Hide Exports Up From Same Period Last Year

Exports of hides and skins from the United States rose to 1,557,000 pieces in the first three quarters of this year from 1,423,000 in the same period of last year, the Foreign Agricultural Service has reported. Increased U.S. production of cattlehides and calfskins and relatively sable prices, plus reduced producin Australia helped the U.S. export situation, according to government agency.

U.S. exports of hides and skins, for 1959, and January-September, 8-60, appear below, as follows.

	Year	Jan.	-Sept.
	1959	1959	1960 1,000
200	1,000	1,000	1,000
. 600.	pieces	pieces	pieces
Wichides:			
Canada	591	427	311
	503	296	384
. Germany	629	486	436
miland	568	368	988
Peland	92	64	71
Va. Kingdom	47	- 39	53
Yagoslavia .	139	105	44
Japan Others	1.083	862	1,497
Others	503	345	845
Total	4.155	2,992	4,629
alfakins:	4,200	=,00=	4,020
Canada	573	468	404
France	94	14	8
W. Germany	150	87	84
Italy	205	146	153
Holland	190	87	100
Switzerland .	00	18	57
Un. Kingdom	13	5	55
Japan	178	157	
Others	116	76	211
Total	116		71
Coakins:	1,414	1,058	1,143
Canada			
Canada	4	2	4
Belgium	23	23	15
W. Germany Helland	128	85	79
delland	127	81	49
Un Kingdom	4	0	16
	30	84	70
Others	102	80	70
Total	483	355	303
Seep, lamb:1			
Canada	799	558	626
Mexico	131 9 37	116	83
Prance	9	7	10
W. Germany	37 120	13	15
Sweden	120	13 80	69
Va. Kingdom	606	504	420
Others	225	145	334
	1,927	1.423	1.557
heludes goat	and kideki	ne	2,501

CHICAGO HIDES

Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1960

BIG PACKER HIDES: Major packers moved an estimated 116,000 hides last week, including bookings to their tanning subsidiaries. River heavy native steers were 1/2¢ lower at 12¢, and low freight stock moved at 121/2¢. A car of River brands, heavy Texas and Colorado steers sold 1/2¢ lower. Northern branded cows moved well at the 1/2¢ decline and a load of Chicago native and branded bulls sold at 93/4¢ and 83/4¢. respectively, December-forward selections.

Heavy native cows moved well at a markdown of 1¢. Northern light skins, sold at premium of 17¢. Supplies were fairly well sold by the end of the week.

No action was reported on Tuesday, but heavy native steers, branded steers and branded cows were all bid at steady prices, with offerings slow in coming out. Wednesday, practically all selections were bid at steady prices. Packers were reluctant to go along, however, preferring to watch developments and consider buyer bids.

SMALL PACKER AND COUN-TRY HIDES: While some buyers were expressing bearish intentions on Midwestern small packer hides, the market maintained a steady undertone, with some offerings held higher. Midwestern 50/52-lb. allweights were pegged at 121/2@13¢ nominal, 60/62's at 101/2@11¢, and Midwestern small packer bulls, 85lb. average, were quoted at 8@81/4¢ nominal, all f.o.b. basis. The country hide market was dull the past week, with buyers and sellers far from agreement.

Country locker-butcher, 50/52-lb. averages ruled steady at 101/2@ 11¢, f.o.b. shipping points. Same average renderers were unchanged at 91/2@10¢ nominal, while the bulk of the No. 3's were pegged at 71/2¢, f.o.b. country points. Best trimmed Northern horsehides were steady at 7.75@8.00, f.o.b. basis, as were ordinary lots at 5.50@6.00.

CALFSKINS AND KIPSKINS: No new activity was reported in the big packer market, with last sales of Northern light calf at 55¢, and heavies last moved in volume at 571/2¢. Last week about 5,000 River kips sold steady at 45¢, with overweights nominal at 35¢. Small packer allweight calf was steady at 41@ 42¢, while allweight kips held steady at 32@34¢. Country allweight calf was steady at 26@27¢, as were allweight kips at 22@23¢. Last actual sales of slunks were at 1.30@1.35, with 1.50 probable.

SHEEPSKINS: Shearlings were steady this week, with Northern-River No. 1's reported at .80@1.00, and No. 2's at .50@.65. Southwestern No. 1's held steady at 1.25@1.30, as were No. 2's at .75@.85. Northern-River fall clips were strong at 1.50@ 1.60, as were Southwestern's at 1.85.

Midwestern lambs were quoted at 2.75@2.85 per cwt. liveweight basis. Eastern pelts were being held at around 3.00, with no confirmation of sales. Full wool dry pelts were pegged at .20 nominal. Pickled lamb skins were quoted at 7.75@8.00 and sheep at 10.00@10.25 per dozen.

CHICAGO HIDE QUOTATIONS

PACKER HIDES		
Wednesday,	Co	or. date
Dec. 28, 1960		1959
Lgt. native steers 171/2n	22	@ 221/2
Hvy. nat. steers12 @121/2n		141/2
Ex. lgt. nat. steers 181/2n		24n
Butt-brand. steers 101/2n		13½n
Colorado steers 91/2n		121/2n
Hvy. Texas steers 101/4 n		13n
Light Texas steers 151/2n		20n
Ex. lgt. Texas steers 161/2n		22n
Heavy native cows 12 @ 121/2n		151/2n
Light nat. cows 151/2@161/2n	213	/2 @ 22
Branded cows11 @12n		141/2n
Native bulls 91/2@ 93/4n	11	@ 12n
Branded bulls 8½ @ 8¾n Calfskins:	11	@ 12n
Northerns, 10/15 lbs. 571/2n		50n
10 lbs./down 55n		62½n
Kips, Northern native,		
15/25 lbs 45n		431/2n

SMALL PACKER HIDES

STEERS	AND	cows:	
		10½@11n	121/2@13n
50/52-1b.	avg.	12½@13n	16 @16½n

SMALL PACKER SKINS

Calfskins, Kipskins,						@45n @38n
Kipskins,	all	wts.	32	@ 34n	36	@ 38

SHEEPSKINS

Packer snearnings:				
No. 1	.80@	1.00	1.50@	1.75
No. 2	.50@	.65	1.20@	1.50
Dry Pelts		.20n		.23n
Horsehides, untrim.	8.00@	8.25n	11.00@	11.50n
Horsehides, trim				

N. Y. HIDE FUTURES

	Frida	ay, Dec.	23, 1960	
Jan.	 15.20b	15.50	15.40	15.50
Apr.	 14.70b	15.00	14.86	14.95b-15.00a
July	 14.45b			14.55b75a
Oct.	 14.40b			14.50b70a
Jan.	 14.25b			14.40b65a

Sales: 21 lots.

Monday, Dec. 26, 1960 Holiday, no trading in hide futures.

	Tue	day, Dec	. 27, 19	60	
Jan.	 15.50	15.65	15.40	15.40b-	.60a
Apr.	 14.80b	15.30	15.03	15.13	
July	 14.50b	14.80	14.80	14.75b-	.85a
Oct.	 14.35b			14.40b-	.70a
Jan.	 14.30b			14.30b-	.60a

	Wenes	day, De	c. 28, 1	960	
Jan.	 15.45b	15.50	15.50	15.50	
Apr.	 15.14b	15.19	15.11	15.15b-	.18a
July	 14.75b	14.85	14.85	14.85	
Oct.	 14.40b			14.50b-	.75a
Jan.	 14.25b			14.40b-	.65a

Sal	es:	23 lots.				
		Thur	sday, De	ec. 29, 19	60	
in.		15.40b	15.50	15.43	15.43	
		15.11b	15.20	15.08	15.09 -0	
uly		14.75b	15.00	14.90	14.85b-	.95a
		14.40b			14.55b-	
m.		14.30b			14.40b-	.70a

... 14.30b Sales: 12 lots.

LIVESTOCK MARKETS ... Weekly Review

Texas, Fast-Growing Beef Producing State and Tops In Cattle Population, Is Net Importer

Although Texas claims title to being the most populous cattle state (with figures to prove it), it is a net importer of beef whether live or dressed-in fact, more than half of what it uses is imported. How long the deficit situation will continue remains to be seen, but cattle feeding in the state has grown at a phenomenal rate in recent years and appears headed to a new record this year.

It was pointed out at the recent beef cattle short course at Texas A & M that Texas produces almost eight times as much grain as California and over 50 times as much as Arizona. Yet California last year fed out an estimated 1,514,000 head of cattle and Arizona about a third that many, while Texas feedlots finished only about 600,000.

Existing yards in Texas capable of handling 500 or more cattle have a total capacity of around 400,000 cattle at a time, USDA and Texas A & M extension service estimates indicate. Additions to these yards and new yards now under construction are expected to boost the capacity by about 80,000 or more head.

SLAUGHTER STEERS AND HEIFERS

Steers and heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at seven markets in November, 1960-59; numbers, costs and percentages are shown below, as follows:

-Number of	of head-	Pet. of	total	Av. pri	ce. cwt.
Nov.	Nov.	Nov.	Nov.	Nov.	Nov.
1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959
S	TEERS, NO	VEMBER, 1	960-59		
Prime 23,482	14,916	7.7	4.3	27.06	27.80
Choice160,132	194.051	52.2	55.9	25.47	25.93
Good105,927	114,570	34.5	33.0	23.91	24.22
Standard 15,009	19,802	4.9	5.7	21.37	21.88
Commercial 45	74		.0	23.95	23.09
Utility 2,300	3,787	.7	1.1	19.75	19.88
All grades .306,895	347,200			24.85	25.19
н	EIFERS, NO	VEMBER.	1960-59		
Prime 3,802	3,906	2.9	2.5	25.35	25.70
Choice 74,227	86,043	56.4	54.7	24.14	24.47
Good 46,401	55,318	35.2	35.2	22.80	23.26
Standard 5,980	9,884	4.5	6.3	20.60	20.93
Utility 1,284	2.061	1.0	1.3	17.56	18.09
All grades .131,694	157,212			23.51	23.80

FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER

Federally inspected slaughter during Nov., 1960 and 1959, with cumulative totals for the 11-month

periods, was rep	orted as	follows:	*	
	CAT	TLE	HOG	15
	1960	1959	1960	1959
January	1,564,384	1,440,819	6,516,333	5,884,657
February	1,436,803	1,219,323	5,841,062	5,686,088
March	1,576,941	1,334,418	6,116,138	5,732,866
April	1,411,633	1,433,231	5,571,122	5,651,960
May	1,605,641	1,412,043	5,483,058	4,969,554
June	1,691,903	1,473,051	5,086,245	4,901,694
July	1,591,699	1,556,888	4,304,435	5,184,157
August	1,787,102	1.449,511	5,202,928	4,977,321
September	1,781,880	1,539,168	5,165,088	5,767,379
October	1,745,652	1,586,135	5,407,051	6,646,367
November	1,624,552	1,461,910	5,707,057	6,337,172
December		1,552,143		6,968,083
	CA	LVES	SHEEP	
	1960	1959	1960	1959
January	413,350	424,272	1,236,564	1,322,228
February	388,848	376,753	1,076,026	1,079,819
March	481,727	423,088	1,087,886	1,143,432
April	394,150	405,652	1,054,106	1,100,519
May	378,098	357,644	1,109,721	1,017,206
June	396,897	365,752	1,136,793	1,056,257
July	373,655	381,966	1,112,789	1,106,992
August	449,928	359,460	1,240,422	1,010,236
September	513,809	415,026	1,322,820	1,177,359
October	516,157	471,247	1,352,732	1,200,119
November	501,720	438,435	1,191,914	1,069,554
December		455.857		1,181,981
JAI	NUARY-NO	VEMBER TO	TALS	
		1960	195	9
Cattle		17,818,190	15,90	06,495
		4,808,339		19,305
Hogs		60,400,517		39,155
Sheep		12.921.773	12.20	33,721

LIVESTOCK PRICES AT LEADING MARKETS

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Livestock prices at five western markets on Tuesday, December 27, were reported by the Agricultural Marketing Service, Livestock Division, as follows:

GS: ARROWS & G	N.Y. Yds.		rision, as Sioux City		St. Paul	BAN U.
.S. No. 1:	ILIS.					U.
80-200		\$	\$17.00-17.85 17.75-18.00 17.75-18.00	\$18.00-18.50 18.00-18.50	18.25-18.50	U. U.
20-240 J.S. No. 2:			17.75-10.00	18.00-10.00	18.00-18.50	U
80-200			17.00-17.75			U
200-220			17.60-17.75		18.00-18.25	U
220-240 240-270			17.60-17.75 17.00-17.60		17.75-18.25	U
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CORN BELT DIRECT TRADING

Des Moines, Dec. 28-Prices on hogs at 14 plants and about 30 concentration yards in interior Iowa and southern Minnesota, as quoted by the USDA:

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quoted by the USDA:

BARROWS & GILTS:
U.S. No. 1, 200-220 \$17.55@18.00
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U.S. No. 2-3, 240-370 \$15.90@16.75
U.S. No. 2-3, 240-370 \$15.90@16.75
U.S. No. 2-3, 270-300 \$15.15@6.85
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Corn Belt hog receipts, as reported by the USDA:

LIVESTOCK PRICES AT ST. JOSEPH

Livestock prices at St. Joseph, Tuesday, Dec. 27. were as follows:

LIVESTOCK PRICES AT DENVER

Livestock prices at Denwer on Tuesday, Dec. 27, were as follows:

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CUTTLE:

Seers, choice ... \$24.50@26.40
Seers, standard ... 20.25@20.85
Seefs, choice ... 25.40@25.00
Cows, can. & cut. ... 13.00@15.00
MARBOWS & GILTS:
U.S. No. 1-2, 200/235 18.65@18.50
U.S. No. 1-3, 190/260 18.25@18.50
U.S. No. 23. 180/265 18.00@18.25
SWS, U.S. No. 23.
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SWS, U.S. No. 2.
30/375 1bs., ... 14.00@15.00
T75/425 1bs., No. 2 ... 13.50@14.50
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LIVESTOCK PRICES AT INDIANAPOLIS

Livestock prices at Indianapolis, Tuesday, Dec. 27, were as follows:

	Cwt.
Steers, choice	27.00@27.50
	23.50@26.00
Heifers, gd. & ch.	22.50@26.00
Cows, util. & com'l.	14.00@16.50
Cows, can. & cut	11.50@14.50
Bulls, util. & com'l.	16.00@19.00
VEALERS:	
Choice & prime	33.00@34.00
Good & choice	26.00@32.00
Stand. & good	20.00@26.00
BARROWS & GILTS:	
U.S. No. 1, 180/220	18.25@18.60
U.S. No. 1, 200/220	18.50@18.75
U.S. No. 3, 200/220	17.25@17.75
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U.S. No. 3, 240/270	16.25@17.00
U.S. No. 3, 270/300	15.50@16.2
U.S. No. 1-2, 180/200	18.25@18.50
U.S. No. 1-2, 200/220	18.25@18.50
U.S. No. 1-2, 220/240	17.75@18.50
U.S. No. 2-3, 200/220	17.50@18.00
U.S. No. 2-3, 220/240	17.25@18.00
U.S. No. 2-3, 240/270	16.25@17.2
U.S. No. 2-3, 270/300	15.50@16.7
U.S. No. 1-3, 180/200	
U.S. No. 1-3, 200/220	17.75@18.2
U.S. No. 1-3, 220/240	
U.S. No. 1-3, 240/270	16.50@17.50
SOWS, U.S. No. 1-3:	
270/330 lbs	14.50@15.5
330/400 lbs	13.25@14.5
400/550 lbs	12.75@13.7
LAMBS:	
Choice & prime	17.50@18.0
Good & choice	15.50@17.5

LIVESTOCK PRICES AT KANSAS CITY

Livestock prices at Kansas City, Tuesday, Dec. 27, were as follows:

CATTLE:	Cwt.
Steers, choice	24.50@27.25
Steers, good	21.50@25.50
Heifers, gd. & ch	21.00@26.00
Cows, util. & com'l.	13.75@16.50
Cows, can. & cut	11.75@14.50
Bulls, util. & com'l.	16.00@17.25
Vealers, gd. & ch	19.50@25.00
Calves, gd. & ch	18.50@22.50
BARROWS & GILTS:	
U.S. No. 1, 180/240	18.00@18.25
U.S. No. 3, 200/240	17.00@17.50
U.S. No. 3, 240/270	17.00@17.25
U.S. No. 3, 270/300	16.50@17.00
U.S. No. 1-2, 180/200	17.75@18.00
U.S. No. 1-2, 200/220	17.75@18.10
U.S. No. 1-2, 220/240	17.75@18.15
U.S. No. 2-3, 200/220	17.50@17.75
U.S. No. 2-3, 220/240	17.50@17.75
U.S. No. 2-3, 240/270	17.00@17.50
U.S. No. 2-3, 270/300	16.75@17.25
U.S. No. 1-3, 180/200	17.50@18.00
U.S. No. 1-3, 200/220	17.50@18.00
U.S. No. 1-3, 220/240	17.50@18.00
U.S. No. 1-3, 240/270	17.25@17.75
SOWS: U.S. No. 1-3:	
270/330 lbs	14.00@15.00
330/400 lbs	13.25@14.25
400/550 lbs	12.50@13.50
LAMBS:	
Choice & prime	
Good & choice	15.50@17.00

LIVESTOCK PRICES AT LOUISVILLE

Livestock prices at Louis-

vine on Tuesday,	Dec. 21,
were as follows:	
CATTLE:	Cwt.
Steers, ch. & pr \$	26.00@29.50
Steers, gd. & ch	
Heifers, gd. & ch	22.00@25.00
Heifers, util. & std.	17.00@22.00
Cows, utility	13.00@16.00
Cows, can. & cut	10.00@15.00
Bulls, util. & com'l.	18.00@19.00
VEALERS:	
Choice	34.00@35.00
Good & choice	28.00@33.00
Calves, gd. & ch	20.00@24.00
BARROWS & GILTS:	
U.S. No. 1, 190/210	18.75
U.S. No. 1-2, 190/220	
U.S. No. 2-3, 190/240	
U.S. No. 3, 200/240	17.25@17.50
SOWS, U.S. No. 2-3:	
300/400 lbs	
400/600 lbs	13.00@13.50

Choice & prime 17.00@18.00 Good & chocle 15.50@16.50

WEEKLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Slaughter of livestock at major centers during the week ended December 24, 1960, (totals compared) as reported by the U.S. Department of Agriculture:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep
Boston, New York City area!	13.858	10.235	52.822	37.866
Baltimore, Philadelphia	8,826	1.742	28,900	3,606
Cincy., Cleve., Detroit, Indpis	16,110	3,099	124,993	13.011
Chicago area	16,820	7,502	40,672	5,204
St. Paul-Wis. areas ²	27,210	22,967	113,282	16,965
St. Louis area ²	9,953	1,511	69,971	5,321
Sioux City-So. Dakota area4	23,138		106,007	12,461
Omaha areas	38,259	148	79,157	14,914
Kansas City	14,816		37,154	
Iowa-So. Minnesota ⁶	32,913	9,215	303,671	40,044
Louisville, Evansville, Nashville,				
Memphis		2,424	47,204	****
Georgia-Florida-Alabama ⁷	7,685	3,913	29,132	
St. Joseph, Wichita, Okla, City	18,452	939	49,165	7,597
Ft. Worth, Dallas, San Antonio	9,639	2,940	18,073	12,678
Denver, Ogden, Salt Lake City		205	14,132	17,908
Los Angeles, San Fran. areas ⁸	21,241	1,492	28,435	21,883
Portland, Seattle, Spokane	6,155	169	13,358	2,478
GRAND TOTALS	288,507	68,501	1,156,128	211,936
TOTALS SAME WEEK 1959	229,083	52,465	1,056,919	160,814
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LIVESTOCK PRICES AT 10 CANADIAN MARKETS

Average prices per cwt. paid for specific grades of steers, calves, hogs and lambs at 10 leading markets in Canada during the week ended Dec. 17, compared with same week in 1959, as reported to the Provisioner by the Canadian Department of Agriculture:

		DOD		LVES	HO	GS le R	LAI	MBS
	All v			k Ch.		ssed	Handy	
196	0	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959
Toronto\$	22.75	823.14	\$34.50	834.00	\$28.20	\$22.70	\$21.00	\$20.00
Montreal	23.30	24.50	29.75	30.00	28.97	22.85	19.45	18.65
Winnipeg	21.93	22.43	32.32	32.29	25.75	20.50	17.00	16.80
	21.65	22.40	19.25	20.20	25.05	19.52	16.70	15.95
Edmonton	21.00	22.00	23.00	20.30	24.90	19.45	17.00	16.20
Lethbridge	21.50	22.25		19.10	25.12	19.15	16.50	15.85
Pr. Albert	20.55	22.25	23.50	23.75	24.50	19.15	15.00	15.60
Moose Jaw :	20.75	21.90	22.25	21.25	25.10	19.15		
Saskatoon :	21.25	21.25	25.75	26.00	25.50	19.15	15.75	16.00
Regina	21.25	22,00	27.25	23.00	25.00	19.15	15.35	14.50
1Not available	ð.							

SOUTHERN LIVESTOCK RECEIPTS

Receipts at six packing plant stockyards located in Albany, Columbus, Moultrie, Thomasville, Ga., Dothan, Ala., and Jacksonville, Fla., week ended Dec. 24:

	Cattle and	Calves Hogs
Week ended Dec. 24 (estimated)	. 2,250	20,000
Week previous (six days)		22,420
Corresponding week last year		14,769

CANADIAN KILL

Inspected slaughter of ended Dec. 17, compared:

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		Week	Same
		ended	week
		Dec. 17	1959
	CATT	LE	
Western C	anada	16.529	14.654
Eastern C			14,972
		31,444	29.626
	HOG		
Western C		59.061	36,606
Eastern C		50,285	85,034
			171,640
All hog ca			
graded .		120.749	183,733
	SHEE	CP .	
Western C	anada	4.563	4.824
Eastern C			4.645
			9,469

PACIFIC COAST LIVESTOCK

 Receipts at leading Pacific Coast markets, week ended Dec. 23:

 Cattle Calves Hogs Sheep Los. Ang. 2,800
 425
 300
 35

 Stockton
 1,025
 150
 1,050
 2,50

 N. P'tland
 1,550
 250
 2,650
 1,000

LIVESTOCK RECEIPTS

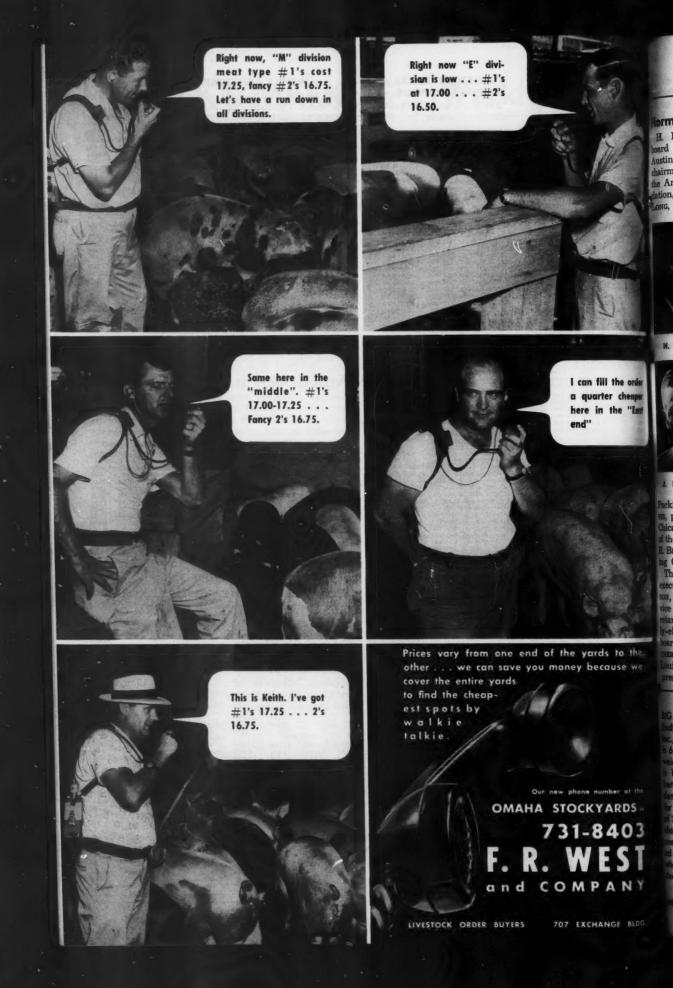
Receipts at 12 markets livestock in Canada, week for the week ended Friday, Dec. 23, with comparisons:

*** *	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Week to	199,900	306,400	72,400
Previous week	234,800	330,000	94,300
Same wk. 1959	160,300	274,100	52,400

NEW YORK RECEIPTS

Receipts of livestock at Jersey City and 41st st., New York, market for the week ended Dec. 24:

	Cattle C	alve	s Hogs*	Sheep
Salable	105	10	none	none
Total, dn	cl.			
directs)	1,272	205	18,952	5,333
Prev. wk				
Salable	89	29	none	none
Total, (in	cl.			
directs)	1.019	172	15,664	6,740
& Include				



The Meat Trail.

ormel's H. H. Corey Is New AMIF Board Chairman

H. H. COREY, chairman of the and of Geo. A. Hormel & Co., Austin, Minn., has been elected he American Meat Institute Fountion, Chicago, succeeding Louis F. ong, president of The Cudahy

cago; John Krauss, sr., president, John Krauss, Inc., Jamaica, N.Y.; Nelson Morris, II, president, Darling & Co., Chicago, and Hugo Slotkin, president and board chairman. Hygrade Food Products Corp., Detroit.

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teking Co., Omaha. PORTER M. JARpresident of Swift & Company, ago, was named vice chairman the Foundation's board, and JOHN Bradley, president of Agar Pack-Co., Chicago, treasurer.

The AMIF re-elected its three cutive officers: HOMER R. DAVI-, president; GEORGE M. LEWIS, president, and Roy STONE, secy and assistant treasurer. Newelected members of the 17-man rd of directors are: CARL T. Fispresident, Fischer Packing Co., sville; ROBERT T. FOSTER, vice ident, John Morrell & Co., Chiof the University of Chicago, is a non-profit research and educational institution for the advancement of scientific knowledge, specifically as related to the production of livestock and the utilization of products derived from livestock. More than 250 companies in the meat packing and allied industries, located in all parts of the United States and Canada and in 18 countries overseas, participate through voluntary membership in the support of the Foundation's program. Most of these firms were represented by person or proxy at the AMIF's annual meeting in Chicago.

ATTRACTION at ch Packing Co., Green Bay, Wis., ft., 3 in. steer that hs 3,015 lbs. and 11 1/2 ft. long. Her-Endlich, firm presipurchased steer \$26.50 cwt. or total \$798.97. Since purle, several thouspersons have visitplant to see steer, e future is yet uncided, Endlich said.

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PLANTS

Neuhoff Brothers Packers, Inc., Dallas, Tex., has announced a \$1,-000,000 expansion program which will add approximately 50,000 sq. ft. of floor space to its present facilities. The proposed five-story addition will provide more shipping and beef-cooling area and about 400 tons of additional refrigeration, bringing the total refrigeration capacity to almost 1,000 tons. Neuhoff Brothers Packers relocated to Dallas in 1932 from Nashville, Tenn., where its founder, Henry Neuhoff, SR., first started in the meat packing business after emigrating from Germany. At its outset, the Neuhoff firm had two plants in Nashville and one in Atlanta, Ga. The business was sold to Swift & Company in 1931 and the following year, the elder Neuhoff, along with his three sons, HENRY, JR., JOHN D. and JOSEPH O., now president, vice president and secretary-treasurer, respectively, started their meat packing business with a little wooden slaughterhouse, 15 employes and one truck. The present Neuhoff operation has about 800 employes and a fleet of trucks serving a four-state southwestern region. General contractor for the new addition is J. E. Morgan & Sons, Inc., of Dallas.

Tiscia & Wade Meat Co., Memphis, Tenn., processor and fabricator of portion-controlled meats, moved into its new plant at 827 S. Main st. at E. H. Crump blvd. Joe and MAT-THEW TISCIA and CHARLES WADE are owners of the operation.

JOBS

The E. Kahn's Sons Co., Cincinnati, has announced six promotions within its managerial ranks. Those promoted and their new positions are: WILLIAM MAXWELL, superintendent of plant engineering and personnel director; Kenneth Mc-Kinney, processed meat superintendent; ROBERT RINEAR, product distribution superintendent; EDWARD G. ANDERSON, superintendent of fats, oil and feed; Jonas Greenbaum, director of new products research, and WILBUR REES, production quality control supervisor.

KENNETH O. CAMPBELL has been named to the newly-created position of transportation supervisor for Peter Eckrich & Sons, Inc., Fort Wayne, Ind. In his new position, Campbell will be responsible for traffic control as related to the movement of products outside the



CHICAGO Association of Hotel and Restaurant Meat Purveyors pays tribute to outgoing president Melvin Salomon (left) of Allen Brothers, Inc., at organization's annual meeting. Presenting citation is Eugene Silverman of Oakland Meat Co. New president of Chicago group is Robert Mac Kimm, Mac Kimm Bros., Inc.

firm's present marketing areas; he will supervise all fleet activities and serve as an adviser to the shipping department on transport movements to Eckrich sales branches, according to Henry C. Eckrich, president and general manager of the company. Campbell holds a master's degree in transportation engineering from the University of Michigan, specializing in automotive engineering.

RUSSELL W. RITZ, sales and advertising director of The Rath Packing

Co., Waterloo,
Ia., was elected
to the newlycreated office of
vice president of
sales of the company at the annual meeting of
its board of directors, announced HowARD H. RATH,

chairman of the



R. W. RITZ

board. Ritz, who started with the company in 1930 as a salesman at the Des Moines branch, joined the company's sales department in Waterloo in 1945 and has been sales and advertising director for the past three years. All other officers of the company were re-elected. They are: Howard H. Rath, chairman of the board; Joe Gibson, president; George E. HAWK, vice president; WESLEY W. JENNINGS, vice president; DALE A. KILPATRICK, vice president; L. M. KYNER, vice president; RICHARD W. RATH, vice president; John D. Don-NELL, vice president and secretary; HOWARD DEXTER, controller; WILLIS R. NESBIT, treasurer, and HARRY G. SLIFE, assistant secretary. Members of the executive committee were reelected. They are: Howard H. Rath, Joe Gibson, W. W. Jennings, Dale A. Kilpatrick, R. W. Rath and John D. Donnell. All 11 directors of the company also were re-elected for terms ranging from one to three years.

PAUL A. CUNNINGHAM has been elected president and Charles E. Cunningham, first vice president, of Cunningham Bros., Inc., a New York City purveyor.

Dr. Jack E. Gross has been named inspector in charge of the El Paso,

Tex., station of the Meat Inspection Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, succeeding Dr. E. M. CLARK, whose retirement will become effective December 31. Dr. Gross joined the MID in 1956, immedi-



DR. GROSS

ately following his graduation from Texas A & M College, from which he received the degree of doctor of veterinary medicine. Dr. Gross served at Oklahoma City, Okla., and held supervisory positions at Augusta, Ga., and Fort Worth, Tex., prior to his El Paso station assignment.

TRAILMARKS

The newly-elected lieutenant governor of Kansas, Harold H. Chase, has accepted an invitation to make the 1961 "Kansas Meat Packer of the Year" award during the annual meeting of the Kansas Independent Meat Packers Association. The meeting is set for April 8-9 at the Emporia Hotel, Emporia. Chase serves as attorney for Griffith Provision Co., Downs, Kan.

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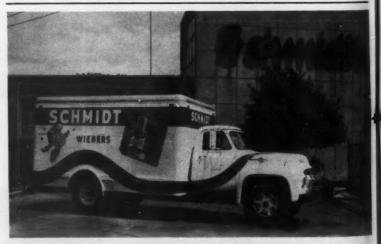
Packer Land Packing Co., Green Bay, Wis., has been granted federal inspection, announced S. W. Frankenthal, president. The firm began operations in Green Bay last July.

WILLIAM ROEGELEIN, president of Roegelein Provision Co., San Antonio, Tex., has been elected president of the San Antonio Manufacturers Association for 1961.

Rudolph Frey, Inc., Buffalo, N.Y., has incorporated a novel sales promotion gimmick with a 1961 calendar the firm is sending its customers. Each page carries a coupon which is redeemable only during that month for 5¢ credit on the particular item offered that month. January features mettwurst; September offers bologna, etc.

JOSEPH O. HANSON, retired president of International Packers, Ltd., Chicago, has been re-elected president of the Chicago Crime Commission for the coming year.

C. A. Durr Packing Co., Inc., Utica, N.Y., re-elected the following company officers for the coming year at its annual meeting: Clara Durr Harrison, chairman of the board; Jerome B. Harrison, president; Magaret P. Durr, vice president; Arthur H. Mauthe, secretary-treasurer, and John B. Tuttle, as-



CITATION for outstanding truck design was awarded to the Schmidt Provision Co. of Toledo, O., at National Fleet Maintenance Show held at New York colosseum. Award-winning truck was cited for its appeal to children and extensive use of white to suggest cleanliness and purity. Contest was sponsored by Fleet Owner magazine. Fessel, Siegfriedt, Dooley & Moeller, Inc., Louisville, created the design. One other meat packer, Weiland Packing Co., Inc., Phoenixville, Pa., shared spotlight with Schmidt in team of eight winners.

istant secretary. All the officers, with the exception of Tuttle, were re-elected directors of the firm along with DONALD B. BICE, who was also reappointed plant manager. JOSEPH J. GASKA was renamed assistant plant manager.

The annual dinner dance of Meat Trade Institute, Inc., an association of meat packers in the New York Degan City metropolitan area, will be held in the grand ballroom of The Plaza in New York City on January 14. JOHN KRAUSS, newly-elected president of the organization, is chairman of the dinner dance committee.

The refinery department at the Kansas City plant of Swift & Company, Chicago, was awarded a trophy for overall excellence by J. B. MILLER, Swift vice president. R. R. GRAY is manager of the Kansas City that refinery department.

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August Stang, 57, branch manager of the Jersey City, N.J., plant of Armour and Company, passed away. Stang was a veteran of 42 years with the Chicago packing firm and for 20 years had been beef supervisor of the organization's New York district.

ROBERT S. EVANS, SR., 59, employed

in the general superintendent's office, meat processing department, Swift & Company, Chicago, died December 10. He had been with Swift for the past 43 years. Surviving are his widow, MINERVA, a son, ROBERT S., JR., and two daughters, LILLIAN and NANCY.

JAMES J. HOBAN, 75, retired traffic manager at Hunter Packing Co., East St. Louis, Ill., passed away. He retired from the firm four years ago. He had been mayor of Fairmont City, Ill., for eight years during the 1930s. Hoban is survived by two sons and three daughters.

Nine WSMPA Committees To Meet at Convention

Nine committees named by the Western States Meat Packers Association for 1961 will hold their first meetings of the year during the 15th WSMPA annual meeting, set for Wednesday through Saturday, February 15-18, at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel in San Francisco, announced E. FLOYD FORBES, president and general manager of the association. The committees and chairman and vice chairman of each are:

Industrial relations-chairman, E. Floyd Forbes; accounting-chairman, MARTIN RUSTER, Luer Packing Co., Los Angeles, and vice chairman, Frank Bauman, James Allan & Sons, San Francisco; tallow and grease-chairman, A. Joseph Вавка, James Allan & Sons, San Francisco, and vice chairman, DONALD SCHAAKE, Schaake Packing Co., Inc., Ellensburg, Wash.; hide-chairman, SAM RUDNICK, Kern Valley Packing Co., Bakersfield, Cal., and vice chairman, A. R. BURATTO, Meats, Inc., Clarkston, Wash.

Also, marketing agencies-chairman, Prosser Clark, Benson, Bodine & Clark Commission Co., North Portland, Ore., and vice chairman, DON E. KENNY, Salt Lake Union Stockyards Co., Salt Lake City, Utah; beef boners-chairman, PAUL BLACK, Acme Meat Co., Inc., Los Angeles, and vice chairman, Joe SILVA, Rudnick & Silva, Stockton, Cal.; beef-chairman, LELAND JA-COBSMUHLEN, Arrow Meat Co., Cornelius, Ore., and vice chairman, Otto FLORENCE, JR., Independent Meat Co., Twin Falls, Ida.

Also, livestock and conservationchairman, HAROLD D. KUMMER, Kummer Meat Co., Hillsboro, Ore., and vice chairman, GEORGE S. WRIGHT, Wright Packing Co., San Diego; processing and provisions—chairman, Martin B. Rind, Milwaukee Sausage Co., Seattle, Wash., and vice chairman, DAVID DAVIES, Wells & Davies Packing Co., Payette, Ida.



More Moist Ham OK'd

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subsequent lots should be taken and if the results of consecutive samples fall in this range, the inspector should take action as outlined in a).

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"c) Analytical result of 0.1 per cent to 2.0 per cent added moisture in excess of that permitted—The inspector should continue the usual inspection routines but submit samples from subsequent lots. If the results of four consecutive samples fall in this range, the inspector should take action as outlined in a)."

"LIBERAL" CONCEPT: Since ham comes with protein "as is," beyond the control of the packer, and determination of actual protein content is not practical at the processing stage, and since hams vary considerably in fat-lean makeup, some early unofficial comments from the industry questioned the validity of the new MID analytical procedure to determine normal moisture. One source recalled that the MID several years ago considered such a method to check compliance with the now-abandoned green-tosmoked ratio requirement but dropped the idea as unworkable after a series of tests.

Dr. Pals indicated, however, that the MID data have been re-evaluated and the provision of tolerances, which were not considered before, is believed to overcome the earlier objetions. He said that the agency considers the four times protein measure on the "liberal side" but is willing to be shown otherwise. In fresh ham, for example, the MID figures show moisture content as averaging 3.65 times protein, he noted. Dr. Pals also commented that many packers who have complained to the MID that their competitors were exceeding the old moisture limits relied on the same analytical procedure to prove their point.

The MID chief pointed out that the new moisture concept also is more liberal than appears at first glance because the old requirements put the green weight ceiling on the meat and "added substances," including the weight of the salt, sugar, etc., in the curing pickle. Thus, while

the new regulations do not permit "added moisture" in cooked cured products, they will, in fact, permit "at least 2 or 3 per cent" more moisture than was permissible under the old rules, he said.

Dr. Pals also noted that many packers now receive green hams that have lost moisture in several days of transit and said the new regulations, unlike the old, will permit them to pick up this shrink in the cure.

The new MID regulations and procedures stem from a three-month review of the validity of the old requirement and control methods from the standpoint of consumer protection and production and marketing practices. After the agency announced the pending review in late September, most industry representatives commenting publicly on the question urged elimination, rather than modification, of the moisture limitation.

M.I.T. to Expand Work in Food and Nutrition Field

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, will expand its teaching and research in the field of foodstuffs and nutrition, president Julius A. Stratton announced. To carry out the new program, M.I.T. will create an augmented department of nutrition, food science and technology around the existing food technology department, he said.

Head of the department will be Dr. Nevin Stewart Scrimshaw, director of the Institute of Nutrition of Central America and Panama (INCAP) and regional adviser on nutrition of the Pan American Health Organization, regional office for the Americas of the World Health Organization.

Dr. Scrimshaw, who is currently an adjunct professor of public health nutrition at Columbia University and a visiting lecturer in the Harvard School of Public Health, will assume his duties at M.I.T. as professor of nutrition and head of the department as of August 1, 1961. He will maintain an association with INCAP as a technical director.

"In addition to continuing its im-

portant work in food technology, the plans for the department call for increased emphasis on food science and basic research oriented toward problems of human nutrition," explained Dr. George R. Harrison, dean of the School of Science. "The new program represents a fairly radical change in the work of the depart. ment. The change means both an extension into new fields and strengthening of the food technology program in the direction of more basic research, particularly in the area of food toxicology and the effect of food processing on its nutritive value."

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